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Candidates Address Town Issues at Forum

Borough's Koontz Endorsed by PCDO

Out of four candidates running for two open Borough Council seats, only incumbent Councilman Andrew Koontz received endorsement from the Princeton Community Democratic Organization at Sunday's meet-the-candidates night.

Incumbent Roger Martindell received the most votes from Borough residents, with 50 out of a potential 74 votes, compared to Mr. Koontz's 44 votes, but Mr. Koontz was the only Borough candidate to receive over 60 percent of the total votes, the required number of votes to be endorsed by the PCDO.

If approved by Mercer County Chair Rich McClellan, Mr. Koontz's name will appear in a separate column on the ballot for the June Primary, representing his endorsement.

"I think it's great," said Mr. Koontz. "I'm very honored to receive the endorsement of the PCDO."

Mr. Koontz had 81 of the potential 121 votes from Borough and Township registered Democrats in attendance. Mr. Martindell was a close second with 71 votes, followed by Mark Freda with 50 votes, and Anne Waldron Neumann, with 13 votes.

Nine of the overall voters chose to not endorse any Borough candidates.

Mr. Freda and Ms. Neumann fell much shorter in the Borough polls, with Mr. Freda receiving 27 votes, and Ms. Neumann receiving eight votes. Candidates also had to receive 50 percent of the Borough votes for endorsement.

Five Borough voters chose to not endorse a candidate.

Mr. Koontz, who was sworn into his position on Council in January, is filling out Mayor Joe O'Neill's unexpired term. He was up against Mr. Freda, Ms. Neumann, and Jenny Crumiller in the fall for his position, but ultimately was voted in by Council members because he represented "new blood."

Sunday night Mr. Koontz told voters that if he is voted into a three-year term in November, he will bring a fresh perspective to Borough issues, particularly the $21.8 million budget forecast for 2004, which will

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Marchand Confirms Bid for Re-election

In announcing her decision to seek re-election to the Township Committee, Mayor Phyllis Marchand, a Democrat, remarked on the amount of change that has occurred in the community since she was elected to the Committee in 1987.

"It's certainly a changed community, we have much more traffic," she quipped at the Princeton Community Democratic Organization's "Meet the Candidates Night" on Sunday.

On a night where candidates from the Borough sought to seek the nod from Princeton Community Democratic Organization in an often embittered debate, Mayor Marchand and her running mate, Lance Liverman, played a more subdued role throughout the evening.

Mr. Liverman is contending for the seat that will be vacated by Committeewomen Karen "Casey" Hegener when her term expires in January 2005.

Mayor Marchand and Mr. Liverman are both Democrats in a Democratic stronghold with no foreseeable opponents, since neither is contested in the party primary vote in June.

The last non-Democrat to sit on Township Committee was Lawrence Glasberg, whose most recent term ended in 1994.

Both candidates stressed the

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High School Gas Leak Forces Students Out

A four-inch gas main on Walnut Lane broke Tuesday at 8:54 a.m., causing a leak that resulted in an immediate evacuation of all high school students and faculty. Residents within a one-block radius of the leak were also told to evacuate their homes.

"We believe contractors accidentally hit a gas line that they thought was inoperative," said Lew Goldstein, assistant superintendent of human resources, public information, and community relations. "It was a pretty immediate smell."

PSE&G workers were sent immediately to the site to handle the problem. Students were retained in John Witherspoon Middle School's gym and auditorium until the gas leak was capped at 10:15 a.m. They were then sent home by their regular means of transportation, including buses.

Princeton Adult School classes

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Princeton's Superintendent Leaves Princeton District For Massachusetts Post

Dr. Claire Sheff Kohn, superintendent of Princeton Regional School District, signed a contract Tuesday to become superintendent for the Masconomet Regional School District in Massachusetts.

Dr. Kohn will be giving her official resignation to Princeton to end her contract here on July 31. She will begin her job in Massachusetts on August 1.

The district has not yet begun to look for a replacement for the superintendent's position, said Lew Goldstein, assistant superintendent

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WHERE THE RUBBER MEETS THE ROAD: Two teams of John Witherspoon Middle School students lunge toward a pile of sneakers in a relay that was part of "The Final Battle of the Blue & Gold." The competition, held Friday night at the high school gymnasium, was part of a middle school physical education unit aimed at teaching sportsmanship and positive behavior.

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PREPARING TO MOVE: The Princeton Public Library has now changed its opening date to April 15, along with the new Spring Street garage. Harsh winter weather has delayed the opening of both facilities. (Photo by Candace Braun)

Library and Garage Delay Opening Date to April 15

The Princeton Public Library closed the doors of its facility at the Princeton Shopping Center on Sunday, March 28, although the opening dates of the library and garage have been pushed back once again.

The library is now set to open on April 15, said Tim Quinn, public information director for the library.

The garage, which is experiencing problems setting up electrical and phone line equipment due to snow and rain, is also expected to open on or near April 15, said Bob Bruschi, Borough administrator: "We're going to be close."

Originally set to open in December, both construction projects have undergone problems due to weather conditions, including the recent snow and cold weather which halted construction on the projects. The date of the library opening has now been moved three times, with a previous anticipated opening of April 1, then April 8.

"There's been a lot of factors beyond our control," said Mr. Quinn. "[The library] can't move unless there's a driveway, and we won't open without the garage."

The library will start moving books to its new facility on Witherspoon Street on or about April 5, said Mr. Quinn. Library patrons who have checked out library books will not be required to return them until April 15.

The cafe at the Princeton Shopping Center will remain open for the duration of this week, said John Cross, a cafe representative. Hours will be 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Once the library begins to move its books to the new facility, the cafe will temporarily close, beginning next week. The cafe will be closed for "an undetermined amount of time," said Mr. Cross, depending on when the library is settled in at its new facility.

"The library has been very cooperative working with us," said Mr. Cross.

The library's opening celebration ceremony is still set for May 15, said Mr. Quinn: "People are meeting right now to plan it."

The celebration is set to begin at 9:30 a.m. at the new facility with a ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony. The festivities are expected to end at 5:15 p.m., with a family dance party outside the library.

—Candace Braun

Administrator Named Penn V.P.; Move Follows Provost's Departure

Only two months after University Provost Amy Gutmann announced her intention to accept the president's position at the University of Pennsylvania, Princeton University Vice Provost for Administration Joann Mitchell said she, too, will move to Penn, assuming the position of vice president and chief of staff.

The announcement marks a return to familiar ground for Ms. Mitchell since she came to Princeton in 1993 from Penn, where she served as director of affirmative action for seven years. At Princeton, she was associate provost and affirmative action officer from 1993 to 2001, and then was appointed vice provost for administration.

While working with Prof. Gutmann in the new environment will facilitate the goals of the new Penn administration, Ms. Mitchell said the new post is also a good opportunity to achieve future career objectives.

"It was an opportunity to expand into other areas that are not currently part of my portfolio," she said.

Ms. Mitchell will work on a broad range of initiatives across the University from the vantage point of the president rather than that of the provost.

"It's a breadth of responsibility that would really be attractive in terms of having an impact on a university on a slightly larger scale than I'm doing here in the provost's office," she said.

While representing familiar territory, Ms. Mitchell said her return will require getting reacquainted with the environment.

"A significant number of key players [at Penn] have changed," she said. "I think it will also be a challenge because in some respects I had a role before that is quite different than the one I will have now."

One of those roles will not include teaching, said Ms. Mitchell, who holds a law degree from Vanderbilt University. "I think for right now, I'm going to be focusing on the administrative side of the operation and supporting the academic mission of the university."

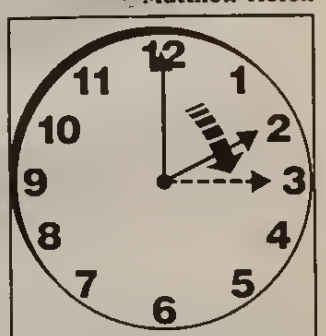
At Princeton, Ms. Mitchell was a precept for visiting Prof. Jack Greenberg of Columbia University in a course for law and social policy. She also directed a thesis for politics.

Teaching at Penn is a possibility, she said, but "somewhere down the road."

In her 11 years in the Princeton community, Ms. Mitchell has established a connection that she is not completely divorcing. She will continue to serve as president of the board for McCarter Theater Center and will stand for re-election in June.

University President Shirley Tilghman said that while she was "sorry" to see Ms. Mitchell leave, she anticipates that the new administration at Penn will be successful.

—Matthew Hersh



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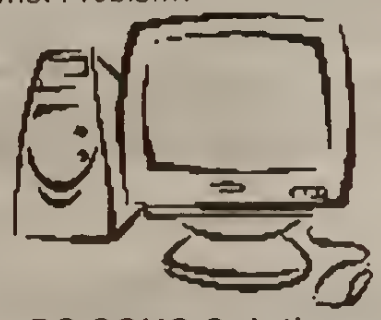

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BLACKS AND JEWS: A HISTORY: Harvard Professor Henry Louis Gates, Jr, above, and Temple University Professor Murray Friedman discussed the historical relationship between blacks and Jews.

Black-Jewish Relations Explored, Historical Relations Highlighted

On paper, the relationship between blacks and Jews should be a positive one. Both groups have undergone times of slavery and oppression, and both have participated in national movements to end such oppression. But a tight bond has yet to be formed between the two groups. A bond that was always expected to be.

TOPICS Of the Town

Or was it?

"Before one even broaches the subject of black-Jewish relations, maybe we should pause to wonder if there exists such a subject at all," said Henry Louis Gates, Jr., of the African-American studies department at Harvard University. Prof. Gates shared the bill with Murray Friedman, director of the Myer and Rosaline Feinstein Center for American Jewish History at Temple University, in a discussion that kicked off Princeton University's Black-Jewish Relations Week last Tuesday.

"There's a question of familiarity, as well as antipathy of unusual closeness, as well as suspicion, and maybe the tensions of black-Jewish relations are the product of a certain symbolic intimacy" Prof. Gates said. "We know that black-Jewish relations have seen better days."

He cited events that have taken place over the past two decades that illustrate the deterioration of the bond once formed in shared plight.

"We heard the nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan condemn Judaism as a 'dirty religion', and we saw Crown Heights explode into vituperation and violence," Prof. Gates said.

Prof. Gates offered the disturbing survey result that over the past 25 years, while anti-Semitism has decreased among white Americans, it has increased among black Americans. He went on to cite an article from *The Nation* saying that "it is younger and better educated blacks who tend to be the most bigoted."

However, Prof. Gates dismissed the notion that being anti-Semitic is a way of being "pro-Black."

"There is some evidence of a spreading canker within educated black America's public moral discourse," he said, adding that romanticizing social defiance by exhibiting hatred should be condemned. "What troubles me is that such a callow, self-destructive, and invidious path should be invested with the glamor of defiance."

However, when looking at the decline of an interracial alliance once cherished by Dr. Martin Luther King, Prof. Gates could not pinpoint one determining divisive event.

"I don't think there is one story to tell at this point," he said. "Dashed hopes on both sides have exacerbated the rift."

One problem, Prof. Gates said, is that neighborhoods once occupied by both blacks and Jews, and then inhabited only by blacks, still had Jews as the neighborhood's

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at-large landlords and shopowners, leading to a certain animosity within the black community. The "alliance" that had been forged within the country's Civil Rights movement was now beginning to break apart.

Another factor increasing enmity in black neighborhoods, Prof. Gates, said, is "ethnic scapegoating," or, the inclination to blame outside elements instead of examining the problem within the community.

"We have seen where the failure of this vision has led," he said. "Urban activists ... would rather picket Korean grocery stores than picket crack houses." He added that many would rather protest "pricey tomatoes, than cheap glass vials." He quoted James Baldwin's depiction of ethnic scapegoats: "Georgia has the Negro, and Harlem has the Jew."

Prof. Friedman continued Prof. Gates' discussion on the common experience of blacks and Jews. He also said that rarely does one hear any other two cultural ethnicities mentioned in the same sentence.

"There is some inexorable affinity between these two groups that is quite unique," he said. He added that both groups had to follow similar paths to "make it in the promised land."

"African American liturgy and folk music is filled with discussion and attention to the Hebrew experience, so that is part of the beginning of this special affinity," Prof. Friedman said.

He linked the experience of the immigrant Jews with the African American experience at the turn of the 20th century, citing Jewish immigrant accounts condemning the lynching of blacks in America.

However, despite the similar experiences, Prof. Friedman said, relations between the two groups have remained complex.

"There were tensions from the very outset," he said. "In the 1930s, there were tensions created as both groups tried to move forward together."

He referred to the "slave-markets" in the 1930s where Jewish women would employ black women as daylaborers and Prof. Gates' repeated reference to the deteriorated relationship between blacks and absentee Jewish landlords with claims that the landlords were overcharging their tenants.

"Not a situation to produce harmonious relationships," he said.

Both men, however, implied that tension between blacks and Jews, as it currently exists in America, is waning. Prof. Friedman forecasted a "calming" trend and a return to more pacific relations.

Professor Gates said that the situation could be amended by changing rhetoric and thus changing actions. He said rather than delving into a scenario comparing troubled pasts, both groups should combine their experiences to amend tattered bonds.

"The shared experience of racial persecution is to bring comity rather than division," he said. "It must never be allowed to descend into the sport of compared victimology and we need to stand clear from the inter-ethnic rhetoric of entitlement."

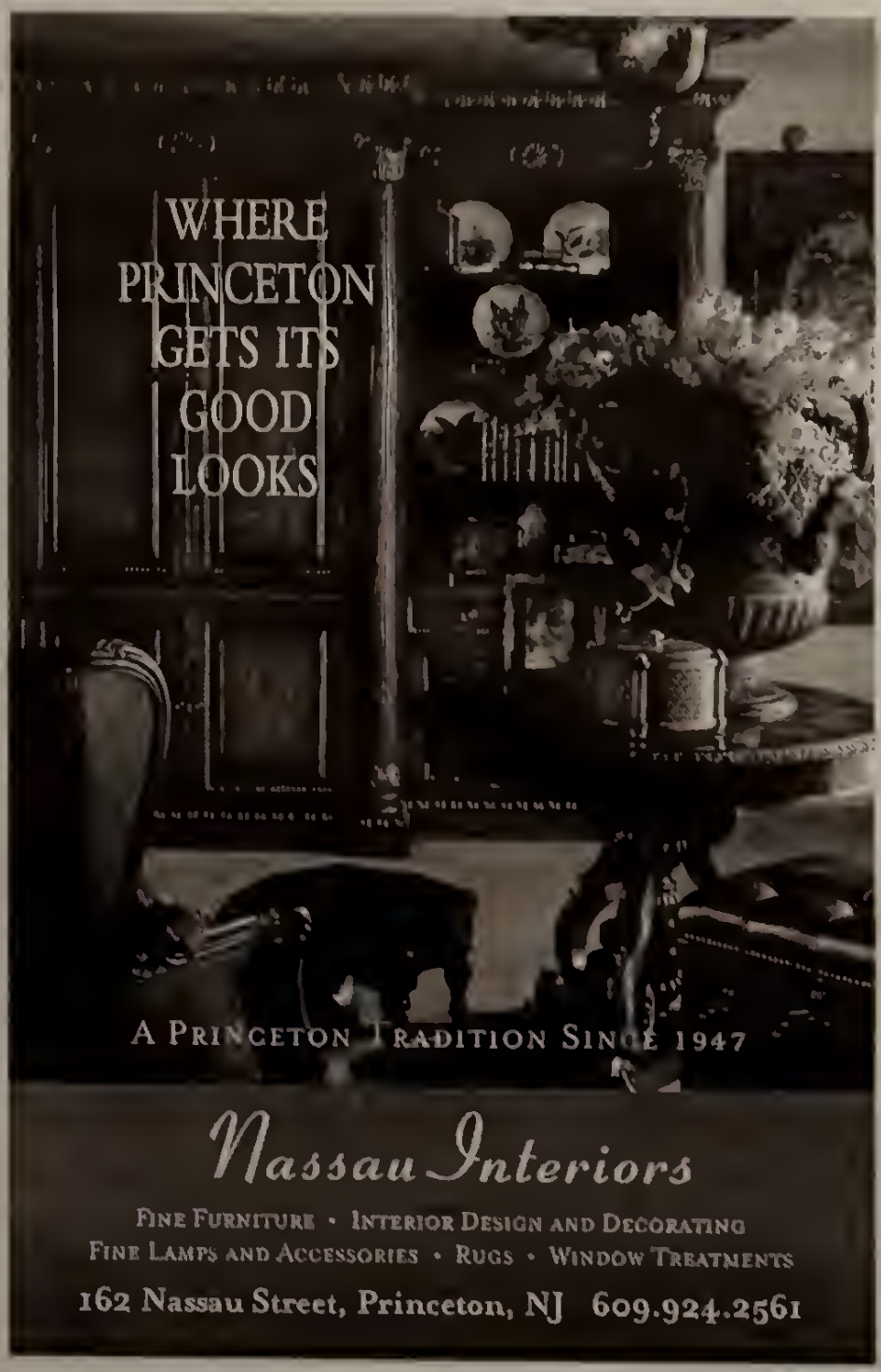
—Matthew Hersh

Dorothea's House Hosts Lecture on Monastery

The Orange Cloisters at the Badia Fiorentina, a Benedictine monastery in Florence, will be the topic of a lecture and slide demonstration at Dorothea's House at 5 p.m. on Sunday, April 4. Professor Anne Leader from the City College of New York will talk about the little known but rich art history surrounding the monastery, which is often neglected on tourists' itineraries of Italy.

Scholars have debated who was responsible for painting the murals that decorate the Orange Cloisters. Ms. Leader is working on a book about the murals, which were commissioned in the mid-1440s. In her presentation, she will discuss why the search for a single artistic personality has thus far proven inconclusive. In addition to demonstrating how monastic cloisters were conceived, built and used in early Renaissance Italy, her work also sheds light on important reforms undertaken in the Catholic Church prior to the upheavals of the Protestant Reformation.

Dorothea's House is located at 120 John Street. The program is free to the public, who are invited to bring a refreshment to share in the reception afterward.



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Flood Mitigation Creates Waves; Residents Are Calling for Action

The Princeton Township Flood Control Committee met last Thursday in its first public meeting to address recent resident concerns regarding the rising tide of flood woes in the Township. The meeting began the lengthy process of addressing the Township's flooding issues by looking at all factors individually.

About 40 residents, largely from the Harry's Brook and Stony Brook parts of the Township, attended the meeting to express fears for their homes, safety, and concerns about elevated flood marks.

According to the Township Engineering Department, Storm Water Management Consulting (SWM), and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), the rise in flooding can be attributed to the increase in rainfall after a time of extended drought, increased amounts of impervious surfaces being built throughout the Borough and Township, and the building of larger homes on Township lots that once housed more modest-sized homes.

However, while the meeting was set to outline steps on how to improve conditions for homes that fall in the Township's various floodplains, residents took advantage of the forum to underline the actual extent of damage caused by flooding.

Olivia Applegate of Random Road, who has been an advocate for residents of the flood-plagued Harry's Brook neighborhood on the east end of the Township, showed a video put together by her son Jesse to illustrate the damage caused by the flooding.

She added that Harry's Brook Basin is no longer effective due to the amount of flooding, which, she says, occurs each time there is substantial rainfall.

"Harry's Brook Basin is saturated [and] we are alarmed and frightened," she said.

However, Richard Olsson, chair of the Flood Control Committee, said that while the video indicated intense flooding, the fact that most houses in the area were not experiencing extensive damage is cause to believe that flooding would not intensify.

"It looks like the flood plain was doing its job," said Mr. Olsson, who is also a geologist.

After issuing questionnaires to Township residents living near flood areas including Harry's Brook, Stony Brook, Lake Carnegie, and Mountain Brook, it has been determined that approximately $120,000 in damage has been sustained by residences in the Harry's Brook region. The data was based on nine questionnaires that indicated various amounts of damage done, according to Township Engineer Robert Kiser.

He added that $60,000 worth of damage had been done to homes in the Stony Brook area, and $120,000 in the Mountain Brook region. Mr. Kiser did not have finalized data regarding flood damage costs in the Lake Carnegie area.

Elizabeth Wood, who lives near Stony Brook off Princeton Pike, said that when she and her husband moved to their house in 1997, they had done research on 100-year- and 300-year-floodplains.

"I thought maybe if we lived here 25 years, we might be flooded once," she said. "Now, [my husband and I] joke that three or four times a year we have waterfront property."

The flood problem has increased dramatically over the past several years, according to testimonials from residents. Most said that the past four to five years have seen drastic increases in flooding.

But the problem does not lie strictly in the fact that Princeton Township is an expanding community, according to Joseph Skupien, president of SWM. "It's not like Princeton Township has grown from 5,000 people in the past five years," he said. While more development is one factor, Mr. Skupien said the flooding could be the result of increased rainfall levels in the past several years.

He cited recent studies performed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration indicating more abbreviated, heavy rainfalls. "Rather than getting two inches in six hours, we could get two inches in two hours," he said.

He also made reference to the "randomness" of flooding in general. Pointing to the drought that had been ongoing since 1996, Mr. Skupien said once regular weather patterns began to emerge by the end of 2002, regular flooding also returned to the region.

The Township's Mr. Kiser argued that it is not the rise in developments that have exacerbated the flooding by increasing impervious surfaces, but the tearing down of single-lot homes to make way for larger homes.

The engineer recommended that an impervious surface requirement be put in place for single-lot homes in the Township limiting the amount of roof, driveway, and patio space for a newly-built house.

Township developments of three lots or greater can require the inclusion of detention basins, which control stormwater runoff, Mr. Kiser said. He added that the Township actually requires a developer to reduce the levels of water coming off a property.

However, Mr. Kiser added, all aspects need to be investigated as part of the flood mitigation plan. SWM's Mr. Skupien concurred, applying the words of Einstein to Princeton's complex flood predicament.

"For every problem, there is a solution that is simple, concise, and totally wrong," he said.

—Matthew Hersh

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PROFILES in EDUCATION

Name: Bill Johnson
School: John Witherspoon Middle School
Years in Education: 41 years, 28 years as principal at John Witherspoon
Education: Dwight Morrow High School, in Englewood; bachelor's of science degree, Springfield College in Springfield, Mass.; master's degree in education administration, Seton Hall University in South Orange
Most Memorable Books: *I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings*, by Maya Angelou; biographies of Bill Russell, Bill Cosby, and Malcolm X
Person You Admire: *"Sergeant Major Huff, first black marine in the history of the United States Marine Corps... When I was [second lieutenant] in the Marine Corps... I went into the headquarters building and [Sgt. Huff] said to me, 'Young man I've been waiting all my life to see you, a black officer.' It was a very sobering thing to hear when I looked up to him as a role model of what an African-American marine should be. He deferred to me such dignity and honor; he shaped a lot of what I'm about."*

Bill Johnson

Embrace teenagers as the future, rather than cast them aside as awkward adolescents, says Bill Johnson, middle school principal.

"I like puberty because everyone else says there's something wrong with it," said Mr. Johnson. "To me, it's the time when... youngsters are really having a tough time in a lot of different ways. My mission in life is to get them through that as smoothly as possible, by educating them about what they need to know, and really supporting their self esteem."

Mr. Johnson has been an educator in middle schools for 41 years, 28 of which he has been principal of John Witherspoon Middle School in the Princeton Regional School District. However the principal has been looked to as an educator for much longer than that.

"My nickname in junior high through high school was 'professor,'" he said, laughing.

Growing up in Harlem, N.Y., Mr. Johnson said that as a child he and his friends were only allowed to get together after school once they finished their chores and did their homework. Mr. Johnson took it upon himself to make sure all his friends got through their homework each night, either with his help, or through the help of someone else he found for them.

"They would always say, 'the professor knows what to do,'" Mr. Johnson said of his friends.

In high school, Mr. Johnson began to think more seriously about a career in education, by joining the Future Teachers of America Club.

"I enjoyed the idea of learning... and the challenge of taking that learning and teaching it to someone else," he said.

Defining a principal as a master teacher and a master learner, Mr. Johnson says being principal means being "the educational leader of the school." Through enthusiasm for both his school and his students, Mr. Johnson has seen his school excel on many levels, including recently being recognized by the state as the "Best Practices School," part of the Just For Kids program, which highlights the performance of excellent schools in New Jersey.

Past, Present, Future

A scrapbook sits on a shelf in the principal's office, filled with newspaper clippings of memories he has collected over the years of John Witherspoon. One of the first articles in his book is a Town Topics article dating back to 1976, when he first came to Princeton. In it he called John Witherspoon, "the most beautiful school building in the country," which Mr. Johnson says is still true today.

Now, moving forward with construction, the principal is looking for ways to exemplify the school's sense of pride within the new wing of the building.

"I would like to include in our new structure a sense of historic pride by adding bricks of all our students names in the building somewhere," he said, adding that he has already purchased the bricks on which the students names will be engraved.

Many memorable moments at John Witherspoon decorate the walls of the principal's office, hallways, and heart. One memory in particular that always holds to be special each year is the eighth grade class trip to Washington D.C., said Mr. Johnson. Each child leaves for the school trip as a separate person, but they return a solidified group.

"[Students] leave here not connected as a group. But when they return from Washington, after three days of being together, they step off those buses tired, but they enter school that Monday morning changed students."

Visions For His School

A resident of Ewing, Mr. Johnson went to high school in Englewood, where he later returned to teach, then become assistant principal and principal. After 11 years in the school district, he moved on to Princeton, where he has remained.

All along he has had the same vision for his school, from which he has never strayed: "My vision here was to be the most prepared middle school in the country... In order to do that, we had to be excellent in everything we did," he said.

"Everything" included being a scholar, focusing on the visual and performing arts, performing well in athletics, and having good character.

Character was the one part of his plan that has been hard to stick to over the years, says the principal. For a period of time, the focus of not only the students, but of society, was very self-involved, he said.

"Parents were worried about their own individual household... they were selfish about giving their time and efforts to the school, which was reflected in their children," said Mr. Johnson.

However slowly but surely, the students, as well as society, are making their way back to creating a more unselfish environment, he said: "People realize now that we can't live like that and we need to live together harmoniously."

Education Today

Now, the biggest issue facing educators in middle schools, is making teachers believe that middle school students can learn despite the many personal issues they are facing in their lives, said the principal.

"Too many middle school educators make excuses for children not doing well because they're at this unique time in their lives," said Mr. Johnson. "I believe they're at the prime time to teach them everything."

Mr. Johnson said that middle school students are at an age when they haven't become the person they are going to be yet, which is why it's important for educators to steer them in the right direction. Instruction, rather than discipline, will get students to where they need to be, he said.

Getting into the mindset of a 13-year-old also helps, said the principal.

"There's an old saying: you stick around young people, you stay young. So I'm probably the oldest teenager in America," said Mr. Johnson.

But when it comes to taking credit as an educator, Mr. Johnson looks to many other people for helping him and his school get to where they are today.

"Without all the folks here in Princeton... I would never have been able to do what I do. They all give me the energy every day to keep coming back."

— Candace Braun

Library Budget is Centerpiece Of Township, Borough Debate

In a contentious five-hour debate, Princeton Township and Borough discussed the towns' budget for joint municipal services at Township Hall on Monday night.

The annual discussion, which included all members of Township Committee and Borough Council, determines monies that will be appropriated to various joint commissions. The discussion, however, was largely centered around the library budget. More specifically, parking costs and duration of free parking for library patrons.

The library, whose downtown opening has been pushed back to April 15, faces a $491,000 budget increase. Parking, which includes staff parking and validated patron parking, accounts for $100,000 of that amount.

As it currently stands, for the 85 spaces within 400 feet of the library entrance, the Township is accountable for about $71,000, while the Borough stands to pay $29,000. The numbers are based on an approximate two-thirds to one-third split between the two municipalities. While hard numbers were not supplied, parking budget estimates were initially based on the "fair share" notion that more Township residents would use the garage by virtue of living father away from downtown.

A point of major disagreement between the two governing bodies was the amount of time allowed for free parking for library card-holders. Some members of Borough Council suggested that free parking remain limited to one hour based on fears that people would abuse the parking system. Councilman David Goldfarb worried that patrons would get validated, and use the free parking to use other in-town amenitites.

However, Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand asked that the free parking validation be increased to two hours because the library will offer more services to its patrons, and will create a more comfortable environment, inclining patrons to spend more time there.

Library Assistant Director Eric Greenfeldt, who is retiring from his post shortly after the library opening, has said in the past that the new facility will feature a "Barnes & Noble" type of appeal that will encourage users to spend several hours reading or studying.

Library Board of Trustees President Harry Levine appeared to back the Township's position, saying many funds received through donations were based on the parking convenience issue. Specifically, the "common understanding" that the library would validate parking for up to two hours.

Mr. Levine said the parking agreement also "very clearly reiterated the common understanding" that parking would be up to two hours.

Mr. Levine cited statistics stating that 52 percent of patrons use the library for a half hour or less, 90 percent for an hour or less, and 95 percent for two hours or less.

"So what you're dealing with is the difference between 90 and 95 percent, [so] please don't eliminate that second hour," Mr. Levine said. "I feel very strongly that [the Borough and Township] live up to the commitment to the people that helped raise money for this library."

Township Committee member Bill Hearon lambasted both municipal governing bodies for not having come together sooner to discuss the parking issue, especially since both the library and garage are scheduled to open in two weeks. However, he spoke for the Committee saying that without documented parking statistics regarding how many Borough and Township residents use the garage, he did not want to see the Township pick up the parking bill unnecessarily.

"[The Borough and Township] are joined by the hip by the library," he said. "We don't want to get caught up subsidizing the Borough and taking care of its financial house."

Mr. Hearon suggested the 71 percent to 29 percent parking expense split be temporarily adopted, but reevaluated by January 1, 2005 to acquire more accurate calculations.

Borough Councilman Roger Martindell agreed, saying the numbers, as they currently stand are unclear.

"We don't know what we're going to get — it's a shot in the dark," he said.

Ultimately, the Borough agreed to use $14,000 of its portion of the library budget for staff parking in the nearby Merwick lot, but the one-hour patron validation remained in the agreement.

While Borough Council unanimously agreed to adopt the tentative library budget, members of Township Committee were significantly more reluctant.

Township Deputy Mayor Bill Enslin, who had earlier suggested that the two municipalities split the parking fees 50-50 until studies had been done, voted conditionally in favor of it.

"I'm not happy with [the budget] and I want a process spelled out," he said.

Committee member Bernie Miller was also circumspect in voting for the library budget saying that the Borough had essentially acted on its own in establishing library parking logistics.

"I'm very dissatisfied," he said. "The Borough has acted unilaterally without consulting the Township. It's just not good, and I vote for it very reluctantly."

Both governing bodies agreed to meet several times before January 1 to discuss library parking.

—Matthew Hersh

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Drug Use in Girls To Be Panel Topic

The affects of drug use in girls will be the topic of a panel discussion sponsored by the Fund for Women and Girls and Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. on Wednesday, April 7, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

The event is free and open to the public.

The discussion entitled, "The Swift and Harsh Consequences of Cigarette, Alcohol and Drug Use in Girls: Addressing the Unique Motivations for Substance Abuse in Girls" will be held at the Bristol-Myers' location at 311 Pennington-Rocky Hill Road in Hopewell.

Panelists will include Susan E. Foster, vice president and director for policy research and analysis at the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University; Linda Meisel, executive director of Jewish Family & Children's Services of Greater Mercer County; and Gary De Blasio, executive director of Corner House Counseling in Princeton.

The Fund for Women and Girls is part of the Princeton Area Community Foundation. It supports girls and the women who raise them, and helps women create positive change in their communities. For more information, visit the organization's website: www.pacf.org.

Reservations are required to attend the panel discussion. For reservations, call (609) 219-1800, or e-mail info@pacf.org.

Senior Group Sets Talk On Medicare Changes

Recent changes in medicare and prescription discount programs has prompted the Princeton Senior Resource Center to host a brown bag luncheon featuring a speaker with expertise in this area.

Deborah Breslin of the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services will address the subject on Friday, April 16, at noon, at the Suzanne Patterson Center. Ms. Breslin is program director of the state health insurance program.

The luncheon is free. Participants may bring a bag lunch, and the resource center will provide beverages and dessert.

Advance registration is requested, by calling (609) 924-7108.

Workshop to Teach Natural Egg Dyeing

Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve in New Hope will host a natural egg dyeing workshop on Saturday, April 3, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The dyes will be made from common plants and participants will learn how to extract different colors from them. Participants should bring six white, hard-boiled eggs.

The fee for members is $5 for adults and $3 for children. For nonmembers, the fee is $8 for adults and $6 for children. The cost includes admission to the preserve. Pre-registration is required.

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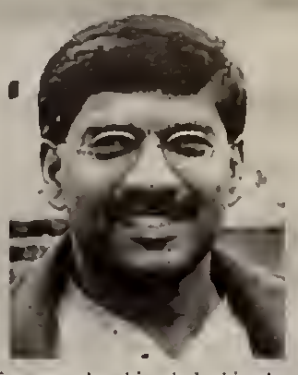
— Bob Pinals, Red Hill Road

"I really believe in the separation of church and state, not so the state will not be religious, but that religion should not be corrupted by people just trying to take political advantage. We should honor the beliefs of atheists and agnostics, but it does not hurt for people to know where we come from. My daughter, for example, refused to recite it at her school, and knew her constitutional rights, and informed the principal of them. Having said that, the 'bottom line' is that I don't know, but I think that we have to debate this intelligently."

— Patti Newler, North Harrison Street



"I think it is unfortunate that this whole thing has been dragged into such an extreme. People should be allowed to express both sides. Unfortunately there is a whole bunch of religious rhetoric behind the whole thing. It is so polarized, that secularists, who do not have religious feelings get isolated, and this goes against the separation of the state and the church. You cannot have separation and invoke words that have very strong religious overtones. The challenge is interesting, and there needs to be a good debate, rather than jumping to an amendment to the Constitution."

— Suresh Paul, Hickory Court

"I don't think that there should be, 'under God' in it, because not everyone thinks that way."

— Sara Goodman, Cedar Lane

"I feel that it should stay as it is."

— Lorraine Woolston (with Dusty), Walnut Lane

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Borough Council Receives Criticism While Introducing Its 2004 Budget

About a dozen angry residents attended last week's Borough Council meeting to protest the anticipated $21.8 million budget for 2004. But Council members still voted to introduce the budget by a 5-1 vote, with Councilman Roger Martindell opposed.

The anticipated tax hike means residents will owe 86 cents per $100 of assessed valuation of municipal land, which is 14 cents higher than last year.

The ensuing budget was "a perfect storm," after the approval and construction of the downtown redevelopment project, said Charlotte O'Connell, a Patton Avenue resident. If taxes continue to increase more than the cost of living, residents like herself will be forced to move out of town, she said at the March 23 meeting.

The proposed tax hike will mean an approximate $500 increase for the average Borough resident. Major increases totalling $1.6 million include a $847,000 increase in debt service, a $267,000 increase in health insurance for Borough employees, and a $234,00 increase in payments to the Stony Brook Regional Sewer Authority.

In addition, $247,000 in expenses for the new library contributed to the Borough's debt, however these costs were expected, said Bob Bruschi, Borough administrator.

Mark Alexandridis, Borough resident and former competitor for a seat on Council, made several remarks that received applause from other residents in attendance.

"There has been a general incompetence of managing affairs," said Mr. Alexandridis. "The discourse of Council has been disappointing."

The resident told Council that double-digit increases aren't realistic or sustainable for anyone living in the Borough: "Princeton Borough isn't a wealthy community ... It's a real town, with a real community, and real constraints."

Alan Hegedus, finance chairman for the Princeton Regional School Board, requested the Borough look to residents with financial expertise to help tweak the budget. He called the budget a "slow moving train wreck."

Finding ways to get Princeton University and other tax-exempt institutions to contribute more to the Borough was also suggested by a number of residents.

Finding a Solution

Several other solutions to the growing budget were suggested by residents and Council members. Mr. Bruschi told Council that because of the abrupt increase in health insurance, the Borough will be changing over to a state health plan on June 1, which should reduce the anticipated $500,000 increase in insurance costs.

"Our salaries are now competitive and our benefits are way too generous," said Councilman David Goldfarb, who was in favor of changing the insurance plan.

In addition, an early introduction of the budget to the state will mean a better chance of receiving state aid, said Mr. Bruschi.

Councilman Andrew Koontz said the Borough should start to look ahead as far as three to five years when planning the budget so that the Borough isn't caught off-guard like it was this year.

Councilman Martindell, who voted against the budget, requested the Borough hold public work sessions either on weeknights or during the weekend when residents would be able to come and review budget expenses with Council members. Other Council members were in accord with his suggestion.

"A fresh pair of eyes is always useful," said Mr. Martindell.

Mr. Bruschi estimated a $900,000 increase in the budget for 2005, however both Mr. Martindell and Mr. Goldfarb requested the budget remain unchanged in 2005, despite foreseeable costs that could drive it up.

Mr. Bruschi said that severe cuts would need to be made, including Borough staff, to make that budget possible.

The Council unanimously voted to approve a resolution that would keep municipal spending unchanged from 2004 to 2005.

A public hearing on adoption of the 2004 Borough budget is scheduled to take place on April 27.

—Candace Braun

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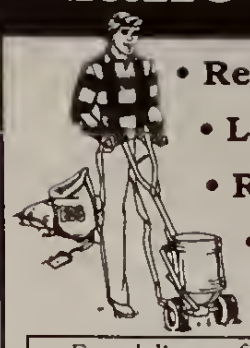

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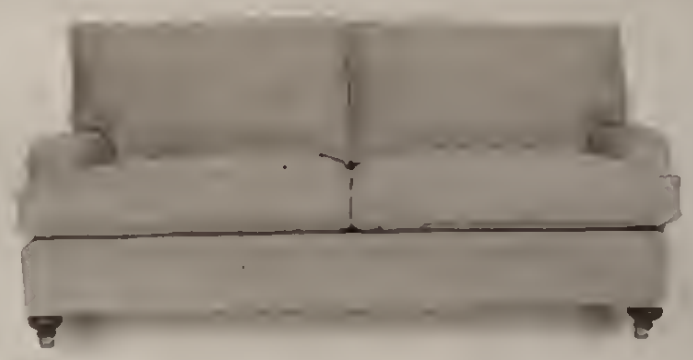

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High School Gas Leak

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were cancelled, along with all after-school activities that were scheduled to take place inside the building and on high school fields. Athletic events taking place at the Valley Road building or on other districts' fields took place as scheduled. Transportation to those events was provided from the John Witherspoon building.

Many students and faculty were forced to leave belongings in the school and were told to not return to the building for the remainder of the day due to fumes and further work on the gas line. As of 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday the fumes had been isolated, said Mr. Goldstein.

The high school is scheduled to reopen on Wednesday.

—Candace Braun

Eden Offers Scholarships For Education Studies

The Eden Institute Foundation is offering $1,000 scholarships to area high school seniors who are planning college majors and future careers in special education or related disciplines.

The Eden Family of Services is a Princeton-based nonprofit organization that provides lifespan services for children and adults with autism.

The scholarships, which are offered locally through the Eden Services Charles H. Hoens, Jr. Scholars program, are sponsored in memory of the late Mr. Hoens, who was a nationally recognized attorney with a life-long devotion to equal education opportunities and an advocate for rights of persons with disabilities.

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"Wild Oats Natural Marketplace values organizations trying to make a difference in our local community and applauds SAVE for its tireless work with animals," said Katie DeTurk, community marketing coordinator at Wild Oats.

Money donated to SAVE will help fund the shelter's essential programs of rescue, shelter, health and welfare, spay/neuter, adoption, and humane education.

SAVE also recently launched a $5 million capital campaign to build a new, 33,000-square-foot, soundproof animal shelter at SAVE's 900 Herrontown Road property, and to fund an endowment to help cover shelter costs. The expanded shelter will help SAVE cope with a growing population of homeless and otherwise abused animals in the Princeton area.

Radon Test Kits Available at No Cost

From 1 to 4 p.m., Monday, April 5 through Thursday, April 8, one hundred free radon test kits will be available to Princeton Borough and Township residents on a first come first serve basis at the Princeton Regional Health Department, One Monument Drive, behind Borough Hall. The program is sponsored by the Princeton Regional Health Department in cooperation with the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection. Residents are asked to come only during the hours and days specified. For further information call (609) 497-7608.

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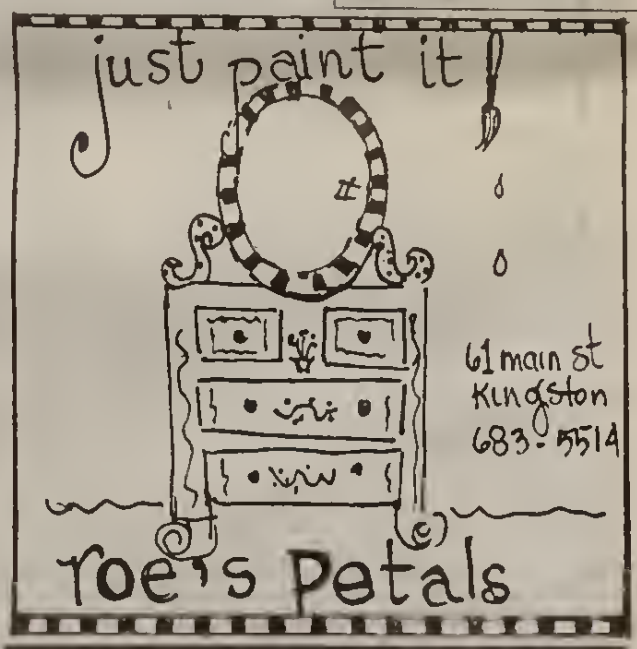

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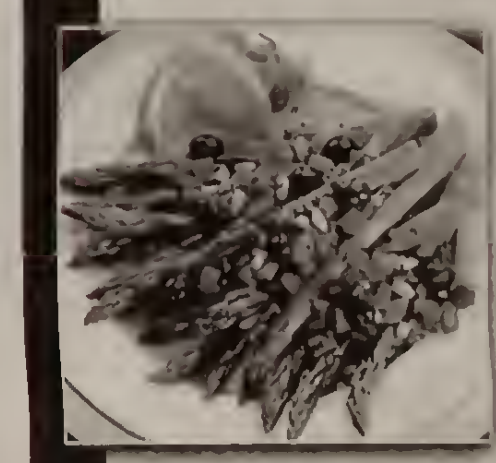

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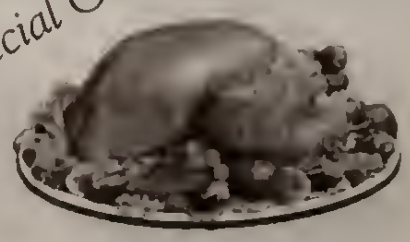

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BID FOR RE-ELECTION: Princeton Township Mayor Phyliis Marchand said the Township has improved in her 16 years on Committee and nine years as Mayor, but there is still room for improvement. "It's certainly a changed community," she said.

Marchand Re-election Bid

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importance of creating a more livable environment, and working toward keeping Princeton affordable so that its seniors can remain.

"I am really proud," Mayor Marchand said, "that the Township has its first age-restricted community coming on board. She expressed regret that the senior housing ordinance recently passed by Committee could not have come sooner.

"We've worked really hard to keep seniors [in town], but many couldn't wait long enough and had to move," she said.

The Mayor also vowed to work with the state to enable a municipality's right to enact ordinances to ban smoking in public places. State mandates currently do not allow a municipality to take such measures.

"Municipalities should have that right for the health and safety of its residents," she said.

In addressing the Committee's accomplishments, Mayor Marchand said she would like to continue serving on the Township governing body to see out proposed and current projects.

"There is still important work to be done," Mayor Marchand said. "We are almost at the point of compiete build-out in the town and the direction we take in the next few years will be critical to the long-term health and vibrancy of our community."

She referred to the Township's recent open-space acquisitions including the Coventry Farm, the former Winant Farm, and Greenway Meadows Park.

She also noted progress in discussions among the New Jersey Department of Transportation, West Windsor Township, Plainsboro Township, Princeton University, the Sarnoff Center, Eden Institute, and the Princetons regarding the so-called Millstone Bypass.

"[It has] been a difficult issue, and we will work with the other communities involved to be sure that the alignment that has been set is the one that is going to be built," she said.

The proposed $65 million dollar road realignment, which has been in the works since the early 1980s, has been the subject of much discussion among the municipalities and land owners along the Penns Neck portion of Route 1. The Sierra Club, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed have also been involved to ensure the stabilization of the delicate ecological environment that exists along the nearby Millstone River.

The new DOT proposal removes traffic lights at Washington Road, Fisher Place, and Harrison Street at Route 1. Washington and Harrison would be connected to Route 1 by frontage roads.

Mayor Marchand has served on several positions in Township government, including as Police Commissioner, a current member of the Princeton Regional Planning Board, and chair of the Tax and Finance Committee. She also serves on the board of the Princeton Public Library, is a member of the Mercer Council on Alcohol and Drug Addiction, an honorary board member of McCarter Theater, and a member of the New Jersey Site Improvement Advisory Board.

Mayor Marchand is a past president of New Jersey League of Municipalities, and the New Jersey Association of Elected Women Officials.

—Matthew Hersh

YEAR-LONG CONTRIBUTIONS: Charlie Behling, age 11, sits contentedly with his finds, including "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea," at the Bryn Mawr-Wellesley book sale. The once-a-year-sale relies on contributions collected continuously at a warehouse located on Vandeventer Avenue in Princeton. *(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)*

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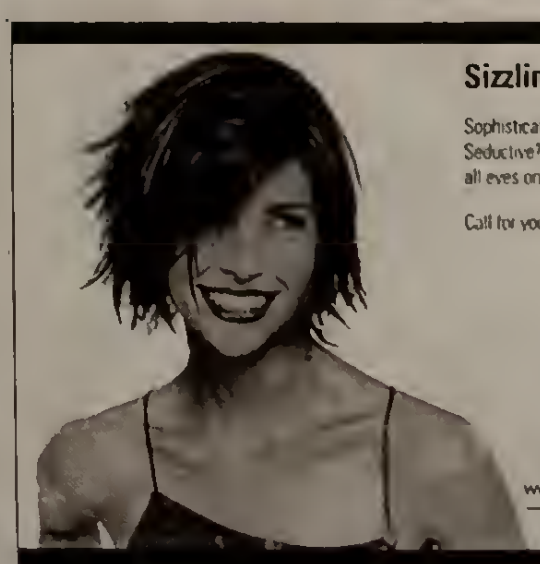

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SPRING BREAK READING: At the Bryn Mawr-Wellesley book sale, Francesca Behling, age 13, displays her choices, which include "Shogun" and "Exiles of the Stars." The annual sale took place for several days last week and concluded on the weekend. *(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)*

WITH LONG PORING...: Ron Ballard browses intently at the book tables at the Bryn Mawr-Wellesley book sale last week at Princeton Day School. The bibliophile left with a big stack. The annual sale draws interested buyers from the whole East Coast as well as local community members. *(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)*

School Superintendent

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of human resources, public information, and community relations.

"We can't start looking until we receive her official resignation," he said.

The superintendent is required to give a 90-day notice before leaving her position, after which an interim superintendent will be hired, said Mr. Goldstein. Then the School Board will begin the process of finding a permanent replacement.

Dr. Kohn first announced her intent to look for a job in Massachusetts on March 1. After applying to seven different positions, Dr. Kohn was offered the position at Masconomet. She has been under contract negotiations during this past week.

The superintendent said she is moving to Massachusetts because she had previously put in 21 years as an educator there, and would retire with a better pension. She also has families ties to New England.

Masconomet Regional School District covers Boxford, Middleton, and Topsfield, Mass. Dr. Kohn was selected as the number one candidate over two other finalists, and was voted into the position by a 10-2 vote of the Masconomet School Committee, according to The Salem News.

Committee members said they favored Dr. Kohn because of her previous experience and record for passing school budgets in Princeton.

Members of the Masconomet School Committee visited Princeton early last week to meet with school and town officials regarding Dr. Kohn's reputation here. Committee members were told that she has been very successful in improving communication among the district's schools, and getting the $81.3 million construction project on all six schools in the district underway.

Dr. Kohn came to Princeton four years ago in February 2000, after serving as superintendent for Lawrence Township for seven years. She took over the position after a series of interim superintendents had worked with the School Board but were never hired on a permanent basis.

Previously Dr. Kohn served as superintendent in Hull, Mass. for five years, along with holding positions as a teacher, guidance counselor, high school assistant principal, and assistant superintendant.

—Candace Braun

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Princeton Scientists Receive NASA Funds

A team of scientific investigators including Princeton geoscientist Tullis Onstott recently won a NASA grant to devise methods for identifying signs of life below the surface of other planets.

The multi-institutional team, called the Indiana-Princeton-Tennessee Astrobiology Institute, will receive $5 million over five years, with a goal of developing instruments that could extract evidence of alien microbes from underneath the surface of Mars.

"What we're trying to do is build a program that would take us to Mars within the next 15 years," Mr. Onstott said.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration chose the team, which is led by Mr. Onstott's former classmate, geochemist Lisa Pratt of Indiana University, and 11 others, from among 38 competing groups.

Indiana-Princeton-Tennessee was chosen in part becaus of Mr. Onstott's work at the intersection of microbiology and geology. Since 1994, he has been leading a hunt for microbes in the gold mines of South Africa and extracting organisms from radiation-bathed rock that, contrary to expectations, supports life at extreme temperatures.

Mr. Onstott and Ms. Pratt shared an office as graduate students at Princeton and began collaborating a year ago to build a team of researchers with the broad expertise necessary to embark on a project as weighty as determining the presence of extraterrestrial life.

Other researchers participating in the team are from the University of Tennessee, the University of Toronto, the Pacific Northwest National Lab, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, Oak Ridge National Lab and the Lunar Planetary Institute. At Princeton, geoscientist Satish Myneni and chemists Gerard Dismukes and Edward Stiefel will also participate.

The group will proceed along two main paths, according to Mr. Onstott. First they will expand the work he started in deep gold mines to identify chemical and biological clues that organisms have left in the rock or permafrost. Then they will devise tests to recognize these "biomarkers" and distinguish them from anomalies that may have resulted from natural processes other than life.

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ADVOCATING AWARENESS: Riverside Elementary School Principal William Cirullo, Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand, and Agnes Golding, child study coordinator for Riverside, proudly hold up the proclamation stating that both the Borough and Township recognize April as Autism Awareness Month. An initiative to increase awareness of the disorder is taking place statewide.

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Borough, Township Mayors Proclaim April as Autism Awareness Month

As part of a statewide initiative and because of the local push to help students with special needs, Borough and Township Mayors Joe O'Neill and Phyllis Marchand have issued a proclamation declaring April 2004 Autism Awareness Month in Princeton.

The initiative was started by the New Jersey Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community, a non-profit New Jersey-based autism organization, which is seeking to raise awareness of the disorder to the public.

As part of the initiative, an anonymous Princeton resident has purchased 15 books on autism to educate the public on the subject, which will be on display at Johnson Park Elementary School until the opening of the new library, at which point the books will be moved to the new facility for the public to read. The donation is part of the nationwide incentive to educate the public about the disorder, which is the third most common development disability among children.

Mayor Marchand said that the initiative is an important one for Princeton to take part in, particularly since Princeton offers so many programs for children with disabilities.

"Families with special needs come to Princeton because they know we have programs for them," she said.

One school in Princeton for autism is the Eden Institute, founded in Princeton in 1975. it was created to enable children and adults with autism to lead fulfilling, productive, and independent lives. Programs at the facility range from early childhood programs to support services for adults.

Autism is a disorder that frequently affects a person's behavior, communication, and social abilities. Individuals with autism may exhibit atypical, repetitive behaviors, such as hand flapping or rocking. Originally thought to be relatively rare, autism is now much more common, believed to be as prevalent as one in 150 individuals.

The cause of autism is unknown, and there is no cure. However it has been shown that if a child is diagnosed with the disorder at an early age, he or she can benefit from intensive interventional therapy, often allowing for the child to be educated in a regular classroom.

"Autism is a disorder that can be devastating to families, and the only way that significant progress can be made toward eliminating the disorder is through increased funding for research," said Mayor Marchand.

Recent funding initiatives at the state and federal level have allowed for the opening of "Centers of Excellence" to study the suspected causes of the disorder.

—Candace Braun

Meal Delivery Program Seeks Clients, Volunteers

The American Red Cross of New Jersey is seeking new clients and volunteers for its Meals on Wheels program, which delivers daily meals to the elderly and disabled in hopes that they will be able to remain in their own homes and independent of nursing or assisted living facilities.

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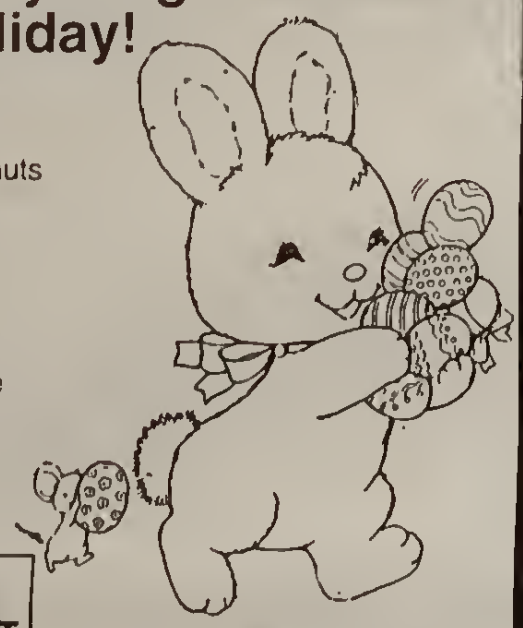

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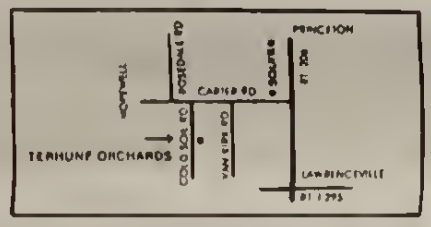

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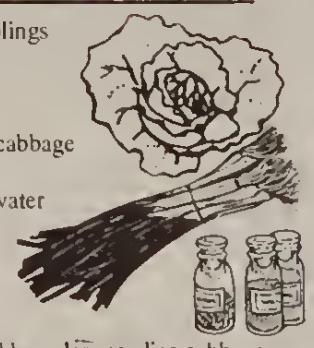

Makes approximately 80 dumplings
Ingredients:
2 pkgs dumpling skins
1 lb ground pork
2 cups chopped Taiwanese cabbage
1 cup chopped scallions
1 cup soup stock or spring water
1½ tblsp soy sauce
1½ tblsp sesame oil
2 tblsp ginger juice
1½ tsp salt

1. Remove hard veins from cabbage leaves, dice cabbage and scallions, then set aside.
2. Select a large mixing bowl for combining ingredients. Place ground pork in bowl, add salt, soy sauce, sesame oil, ginger juice, soup stock, then stir vigorously. Adjust to taste.
3. Once combined ingredients attain a homogenous consistency, stir in diced cabbage and scallions.
4. Place ½ tblsp of filling on center of dumpling skin, wet skin perimetries with water, then fold skin into half-circle, and press firmly to seal.
5. Place dumplings into pot of boiling water, and stir occasionally. Once water is brought to boil, add cup of cold water. Bring water to boil 3 times, remove from heat, drain, and ready to serve.

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In related news, Mr. Hughes will lead a short course for beekeepers, sponsored by the Rutgers/NJ Beekeepers Association, at Cook College on April 16-18.

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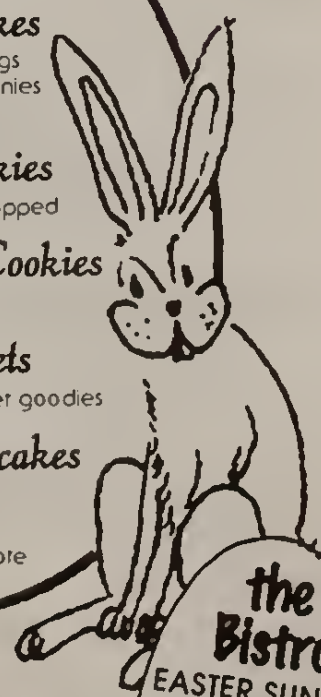

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Questions About Arts Council Parking, Loading Zone Raised by Its Neighbors

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To the Editor:

On parking, the Arts Council leadership certainly weaves wondrous tales. In February the Arts Council's massive project received general endorsement by the Site Plan Review Advisory Board with little skepticism about the viability or appropriateness of their parking "solution." Since input by the neighborhood was actively discouraged, this outcome was no surprise. In reviewing the Arts Council plan, we urge the Regional Planning Board to come to grips with the looming parking crisis in the John-Witherspoon neighborhood.

To be blunt: the Arts Council parking solution is an empty shell. They brightly propose that patrons of Arts Council activities will pay for the Palmer Square garage spots when convenient free parking is available on the nearer residential streets. The Arts Council and SPRAB clearly have an unrealistic view of human nature.

Further, the Arts Council's submitted proposal is hopelessly short-term. The token agreement with Palmer Square may be canceled at any time. We expect it will soon fall victim to the flood of demand caused by the 100 new houses in the Palmer Square North development. Inevitably Palmer Square management and residents will place their own needs above those of the Arts Council. Where next will the Arts Council find parking? Other locations are even further away. Of course it will have little impact on their patrons, who will be parking on the residential streets all along.

The parking pressure of the Arts Council on the John-Witherspoon neighborhood will increase over the years to come. Everyone agrees that the proposed Arts Council plan results in a building that is much, much larger and more flexible than the current building. This implies that the patronage, traffic, number of simultaneous activities, etc., can and will increase. To the neighbors, it seems inevitable that the usage of the building will someday be far more than the immediate 20 to 30 percent increase projected by the Arts Council.

On-street residential parking is crucial for a significant fraction of John-Witherspoon residences without driveways, and a valuable asset for the rest. The current regulations discriminate against residents in favor of transient daytime parking up to two hours. The turnover of vehicles using such free parking is good for downtown businesses and the Arts Council, but the resulting traffic and congestion is clearly detrimental to all the residents on Green, John, Quarry, and Maclean Streets. It is also a bad deal for the Borough financially, since potential income from residential parking is not generated.

In a rational world, a comprehensive solution would be found. This is certainly more than an Arts Council problem, but the Arts Council's ambitious expansion in this residential zone brings it to a head. It would be highly irresponsible for the Planning Board to approve the Arts Council parking proposal with the current on-street parking regulations in the John-Witherspoon neighborhood. Princeton's embattled neighborhoods deserve better.

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MAMIE OLDHAM
Clay Street

To the Editor:

When the Site Plan Review Advisory Board approved the plans for a much larger Arts Council building, it appears to have neglected one of the more troubling variances being requested — the lack of a loading dock. While no loading dock is understandable given the smallness of the lot and awkward traffic patterns around the site, the total lack of any discussion about where trucks will make deliveries was most prominent by its absence.

What, dare we ask, is the estimate of normal loading/unloading operations for the new building? Given that the building will contain an expanded art gallery, a store, and will have an upgraded theater that will be actively marketed for a variety of outside activities, we can easily imagine a need for standing trucks bearing art, inventory, scenery, instruments, catering, etc., over extended periods. In that case there needs to be a marked loading zone.

Where, then, will be the designated loading zone? Each of the adjacent Borough streets (Green, Witherspoon, and Paul Robeson Place) is clearly problematic. If the loading zone is in the parking lane behind the building, how will trucks leave the site? We shudder to contemplate trucks backing out onto Paul Robeson Place on a blind curve or attempting the narrow exit onto Green Street.

Perhaps we misunderstand the purpose of SPRAB, but their expert input on this delicate issue would have been most welcome.

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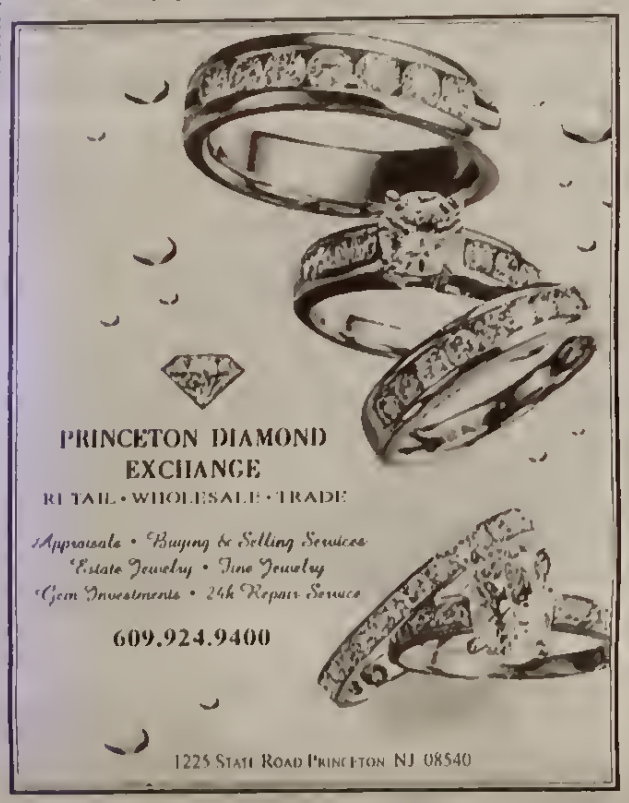

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Proponents of Township's Deer Cull Take Issue With Program's Opponent

To the Editor:

The recent fetter from Bill Laznovsky (Town Topics, March 24), fong-time opponent of the deer culling program in Princeton Township, is tall on criticism but short on alternative solutions.

Using fanguage crafted to eficit an emotional response, he calls Mayor Marchand and the Township Committee financially irresponsible foofs and liars. For good measure, he describes the work of Dr. Tony DeNicofa, which was lauded in the prestigious Audubon Magazine, as "pseudo-scientific."

Prior to White Buffalo's deer removal program, several environmental studies showed that the damage to plants, forest undergrowth, and small-animal habitats caused by the excess deer population in Princeton Township was at least $1 million a year. Removing 1,200 deer prevented the destruction of more than 2 million pounds of shrubs, trees, flowers, and residential plants in the Township just this past year. The dramatic reduction in deer-vehicle collisions saved Township motorists nearly $1 million in repairs and insurance claims during 2003. Hungry people received thousands of pounds of deer meat and the spread of debilitating Lyme disease was dramatically curtailed.

Princeton Township residents have clearly seen these many benefits of the White Buffalo deer population management program. This is surely one of the reasons why the members of the Township Committee and Mayor Marchand have been reelected, despite vitriolic verbal attacks against them from a handful of animal-rights extremists. The cost of the deer management would have been significantly lower if opponents had not sabotaged bait sites, filed lawsuits, and otherwise attempted to interfere.

Despite the success of White Buffalo's work, Laznovsky claims that it will "fail in the end." He asks Princeton's elected officials to abandon this successful program and replace it with "humane, effective and affordable solutions to the human/deer conflict." Dr. DeNicola, president of White Buffalo, Inc., received his Ph.D. from Purdue University in wildlife ecology, and is a certified wildlife biologist. Before issuing more attacks, Laznovsky should let us know his expert qualifications in this field and exactly how he could have reduced the fast-breeding deer population without killing them.

LEWIS A. EDGE JR.
Cleveland Road West

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To the Editor:

I don't know exactly how accurate Mr. Laznovsky's figures are, but even if correct, how much of the cost was caused by litigation brought about by persons confused over the relative merits and rights of deer and humans?

He also seems oblivious to the cost of deer/auto collisions. Cars are destroyed, people can be killed. Saving one life totally justifies the [deer cull] cost.

Bambi might be cute out in the woods. Bambi is a menace on a crowded road. I applaud local government for doing whatever is necessary to mitigate this danger.

ED GRIFFIN
South Harrison Street

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To the Editor:

Aside from the statistics about the culling of deer in Princeton Township, there is one serious question that occurred to me while reading Mr. Laznovsky's bitter Mailbox letter (Town Topics, March 24).

What dollar amount does he place on human life? If deer-vehicle collisions can be diminished, that in itself might be a good thing. It is relatively easy to learn of such cases where a car went out of control resulting in the death of a passenger or driver. In addition, a clever lawyer might very well make the deer-culling price look like a bargain.

GEORGE H. BROWN JR.
Hunt Drive

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Longtime Borough Councilman Vows To Run Without PCDO Endorsement

To the Editor:

I thank the members of the Princeton Community Democratic Organization who attended the PCDO endorsement meeting on March 28, voting to endorse candidates for municipal offices.

I was not endorsed by the PCDO in my bid for Borough Council, receiving only 71 votes out of the 121 ballots cast, or 58 percent and not the 60 percent required under PCDO rules. But I was nevertheless grateful for the support I did receive and to the other candidates — Anne Waldron Neumann, Mark Freda, and Andrew Koontz — for the opportunity to discuss local issues with the PCDO membership.

I will run in the Democratic primary this June. In the meantime, I will continue to help shape the delivery of local government services to the Borough, utilizing the independent-minded brand of social progressivism and fiscal restraint that I believe best serves the people of Princeton.

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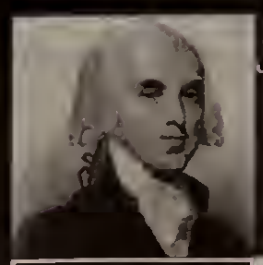
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Princeton YMCA Offers Free Swim Lessons

The Princeton Family YMCA is offering two free programs at each of their pool locations for anyone interested in water safety and swim lessons for their children, ages three to 18 years. Classes will be held the week of April 5 to April 8, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Classroom time will be allotted for additional questions.

Class options include a Monday and Thursday class at the Princeton YMCA pool on Paul Robeson Place, or a Tuesday and Wednesday class at the Princeton Theological Seminary Pool on Emmons Drive, West Windsor. Families are encouraged to come to all four days of this program.

This free program covers five aquatic environments: public pools, backyard pools, boats, beaches, and water parks. Families are invited to join in the fun and may help with the lessons. Snacks will be provided after the swim hour.

There is no cost for this class but advanced registration is required. Call the YMCA Membership Office at (609) 497-9622, ext. 204, by Thursday, April 1.

Psychologist to Speak On Children, Adolescents

CommonGround will host Dr. Robert Brooks at its next in a series of lectures at Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart on Tuesday, April 13, from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Dr. Brooks, a clinical psychologist on the faculty of Harvard Medical School, will speak on the topic of raising resilient children and adolescents.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

CommonGround is a collaborative effort of parent associations of 12 Princeton area independent schools, including Princeton Academy, the Lawrenceville School, the Hun School, and Princeton Day School, among others.

Dr. Brooks is known nationally and internationally as a speaker on resilience, self-esteem, motivation and relationships.

He is the author of *The Self-Esteem Teacher* and *So That's How I was Born!*. He has co-authored several books with Dr. Sam Goldstein, including his most recent work, *The Power of Resilience: Achieving Balance, Confidence and Personal Strength in Your Life*.

At 7 p.m., prior to the lecture, Dr. Brooks will be available for book signing and books will be for sale.

Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart is located at 101 Drake's Corner Road.

Howell Farm Invites Henhouse Visits

Howell Living History Farm will open its henhouse on Saturday, April 10, to children and other visitors who want to meet newly hatched chicks, collect eggs from nestboxes, and learn how to candle and grade eggs.

The program runs from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. There is no charge to participate, but collectors will have the option of "paying" for their eggs by helping farmers grind and mix chicken feed.

A children's craft program, "Wooden Egg Painting," will be held in the farmhouse from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is $3 per craft. Groups (8 or more) must pre-register.

Howell Farm is located on Valley Rd., just off Rt. 29, two miles south of Lambertville. Parking and admission are free. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. The Farm will be closed on Friday, April 9, and Easter Sunday, April 11.

For more information, call the Mercer County Park Commission at (609) 737-3299.

Taste of the Nation Is Set For April 19

Share Our Strength will present its annual Taste of the Nation event in Princeton on Monday, April 19, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., at the Doral Forrestal Hotel and Spa.

The evening will include fine food, wine, and a silent auction, with more than 25 leading chefs from central New Jersey's top restaurants participating.

The event benefits anti-hunger charities. Princeton's Taste of the Nation 2003 raised more than $50,000 for groups including Trenton Area Food Kitchen, Community Gardens Program, HomeFront and the Mercer Street Friends Food Cooperative.

Taste of the Nation is a culinary benefit series held in more than 100 locations nationwide. There are three in New Jersey.

With sponsors including American Express and Jenn-Air, it has raised $54 million since 1988, supporting 450 groups working to end hunger and poverty.

Share Our Strength is a nonprofit organization that has raised and distributed more than $74 million to anti-hunger organizations. Its goal is stable communities that have enough to eat.

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MEET THE AUTHOR: Hightstown author Paul Watkins will read from his most recent work at the last of a series of workshops sponsored by the Community Arts Partnership at the Peddie School. His books include, *The Story of My Disappearance, Promise of Light, Night Over Day Over Night*, and *Archangel*. The reading will take place Wednesday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the school's Longstreet Hall in Hightstown.

1st New Jersey Regiment Holds Training Event

A Revolutionary War re-enactment group will be holding its School of the Soldier program for members at the visitor center museum at Washington Crossing State Park on Saturday, April 3, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The public is invited to observe the re-enactors train and prepare for battle. There is no charge for the event.

The reenactment group, called 1st New Jersey Regiment, is an organization that bears the name of an actual fighting unit that distinguished itself during the Revolutionary War.

The re-enactors seek to accurately portray, in both appearance and conduct, the "Jersey Blues" (a nickname given to its original regiment due to its preference for blue breeches).

The park's visitor center museum will be open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It features the Swan Historical Foundation's collection of Colonial and Revolutionary War artifacts.

For more information, call (609) 737-9303.

Thirteen Births Reported At Princeton Hospital

The Princeton HealthCare System has reported 13 births to area residents during the week ending March 26.

Twin sons were born to Anthony and Shauna Doerr of Princeton on March 18.

Sons were also born to Bulmaro Salgado and Erika Diaz, Lawrenceville, March 18; Rui Kan and Liyin Liang, West Windsor, March 19; Christopher Law and Ru-Fong Cheng, Skillman, March 19; Patrick and Rani Mullen, Princeton, March 19; Jason and Kathleen Petrone, Lawrenceville, March 21; Robert Budny and Rachael Winfree, Princeton, March 23; and Kosuke and Christina Imai, Princeton, March 23.

Daughters were born to Saminthan Ramasubram and Sakunthaladevi Iyadural, Lawrenceville, March 18; Brian and Laura Beyea, Lawrenceville, March 21; Heriberto Lazo and Catalina Sanchez, Princeton, March 23; and Michael and Wendy Runyon, Lawrenceville, March 24.

Wildlife Center Needs Flea Market Donations

Mercer County Wildlife Center is collecting items to sell at benefit flea markets on selected Sundays throughout the year, beginning this April. All profits will go to care for the wounded and displaced wildlife that are brought to the facility.

Flea markets will be held on Sundays, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Upcoming flea markets will take place on April 4, April 25, May 2, June 6, and August 1. Items may be dropped off on any scheduled flea market day, or by calling Penny at (609) 883-5701, or Sue at (215) 295-9243.

The center doesn't accept large furniture, exercise equipment, tires, most computer equipment, clothing, Reader's Digest condensed books, National Geographic, text books, encyclopedias, or other large and heavy items.

The Mercer County Wildlife Center is located on Route 29, three miles south of Lambertville and 10 miles north of Trenton.

TEAMWORK WORKS: Fans watch as two blue team members spike the ball across the net in a volleyball competition that was included in "The Final Battle of the Blue & Gold." The John Witherspoon Middle School event Friday night capped a physical education unit on sportsmanship and good attitudes.

(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)

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A DREAM COME TRUE: Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart started as the dream of three women, Mary T. Murray, Mildred W. Hartford, and Peggy K. McNeil. Two of these "Founding Mothers" recently returned to the school to help commemorale Stuart's 40th anniversary. Pictured, from left, are Ms. Murray Garrett of Florida, Stuart Headmistress Frances de la Chapelle, and Ms. Hartford of Princelon.

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Library Receives Grant To Develop New Programs

Princeton Public Library is one of 60 libraries in 32 states nationwide to receive funding from the Library of America and the National Endowment for the Humanities to develop programs about Isaac Bashevis Singer. The library competition is one part of the 2004 centennial celebration for the master storyteller, who in 1978 became the seventh American to be awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature.

The centennial celebration, titled "Becoming an American Writer: The Life and Works of Isaac Bashevis Singer," is directed by the Library of America and features a multifaceted program of public readings, panels, exhibitions, and workshops exploring Mr. Singer and the immigrant literary experience. The program is supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities and produced with cultural institutions nationwide through January 2005.

Princeton Public Library's series will begin Thursday, October 7, with an introductory lecture by Esther H. Schor, professor of English at Princeton University and a member of the faculty of the Program in Judaic Studies. The series will continue on October 21 when Emily Mann, artistic director of McCarter Theatre, will read from her play "Meshugah" and discuss the process of adapting the Singer story for theater.

Other programs in the series will include a talk by a member of the editorial board of The Forward, the American Jewish newspaper in which Singer published many of his stories and a showing of a film adaptation of one of Mr. Singer's story with a discussion led by Gertrude Dubrovsky, an area teacher and filmmaker.

All events will be free and open to the public, and the library will collaborate with The Jewish Center of Princeton and Jewish Family and Children's Services of Greater Mercer County in publicizing and promoting the series to the Princeton community.

The American Library Association, the oldest and largest library association in the world, with more than 64,000 members, will assist the library with programming guidelines and practical support.

The Library of America is a non-profit publisher and cultural institution created to preserve our nation's literary heritage by publishing authoritative editions of America's best and most significant writing. Started in 1979 with seed money from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Ford Foundation, the series currently includes 140 volumes and constitutes a national library of great writing.

For more information, contact librarians Susan Roth at (609) 924-9529, ext. 257 or Barbara Silberstein at (609) 924-9529, ext. 227. For more information about the Isaac Bashevis Centennial Grants, please visit www.singer100.org.

Weapons Expert to Speak At Peace Group Meeting

Nonproliferation researcher Jonathan Tucker will be the keynote speaker for the Coalition of Peace Action's annual membership dinner and gathering on Friday, April 23, at Trinity Church, 33 Mercer Street.

Dr. Tucker is a senior researcher and bio-weapons expert with the Center for Nonproliferation Studies in Washington, D.C.

Before joining CNS, Dr. Tucker served with the Department of State, the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment, and the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. In February 1998, he was a United Nations biological weapons inspector in Iraq.

He holds a bachelor's of science degree in biology from Yale University and a Ph.D. in political science from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, with a concentration in defense and arms control studies.

In addition to Dr. Tucker's talk, several volunteers will be honored during the coalition meeting. They include Bishop G.P. Mellick Belshaw, retired Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey and chair of the Coalition for Peace Action for five years through 2003; Marvin Reed, former mayor of Princeton Borough; Christa Tinari; Sharon Weiner; and Paul Williams.

The event will begin with a reception at 5:30 p.m., followed by a catered dinner at 6 p.m. The program will begin at 7 p.m.

Cost of the vegetarian dinner is $30 per person, or $15 for those with limited income. For the program only, the cost is $10 per person.

To make reservations, call (609) 924-5022, or contact the coalition online at, www.peacecoalition.org.

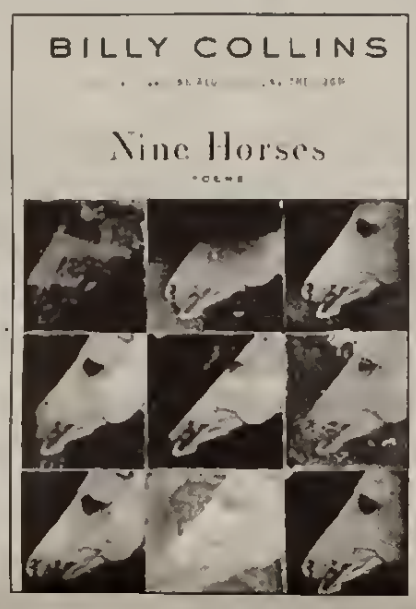
BOOK REVIEW

Billy Collins and the Homeless Poets of Bryn Mawr

At last week's annual Bryn Mawr-Wellesley book sale dealers and collectors rushed the book-laden tables in a semi-civilized variation on a Filenes Basement free-for-all. This week National Poetry Month begins and I've been reading Billy Collins's latest collection, *Nine Horses*, now available in a Random House trade paperback for $12.95.

Once the opening-hour furor at Bryn Mawr dies down, I usually visit the poetry section because I always find interesting, worthy, low-priced and sometimes signed volumes the dealers have passed over. You won't see Wallace Stevens first editions there (online they go for $700-plus), and unless you're among the first to hit the tables you probably won't find Billy Collins either. Shoppers who understand the literary stock market will have snapped him up, betting on him as a star with staying power.

What about Billy Collins then? What makes him our most popular major poet? But first, what about poetry? Why is the idea of a popular major poet such an anomaly in a country that honors poetry with a National Month? There is no equally large-scale celebration of prose fiction, no National Novel Month, no novelist laureate. Poetry is in a class by itself, a national resource that presumably expresses the spirit of our culture. In fact, what we think of as serious poetry is far from popular, and even if people cared to make the effort, a great deal of what passes for major work is not, to put it plainly, reader-friendly.



When I sift through the rows of dealer-rejected volumes on the poetry tables at Bryn Mawr, it's hard not to think of them in human terms. Here are the forgotten ones, "mute inglorious Miltons," obscure, unappreciated, often self-published, or once celebrated, now out of fashion, as is the case with E. A. Robinson and Edna St. Vincent Millay, whose books inevitably turn up at these sales. This year, as always, I adopted a few homeless refugees, among them one from 1951 whose dust jacket claims a previous work won prizes "and made sales history for a volume of verse"; in 2004 the same poet is worth $1 on the Bryn Mawr market. I also picked up a volume from 1943 interestingly inscribed by a highly acclaimed poet; even with the inscription, it's just another $1 item. I was surprised to find a relatively collectible poet like Tess Gallagher among the neglected, especially when her book was inscribed: "For C. on the first night you heard poetry: yes, write, write with terror." A dealer would have grabbed this $1 bargain and sold it for $50, maybe $100 — if someone hadn't spilled coffee on it.

As for Billy Collins, who recently finished his two-year term as Poet Laureate, people have been buying his books at a rate that justifies the precedent-shattering advance Random House paid for his collection, *Sailing Alone Around the Room*. Thousands more have heard him on NPR and crowded the halls where he's given readings. Two years ago this month, when he was in Princeton reading to a standing-room-only crowd at the James Stewart auditorium, I was one of those standing. The person who read before him was an accomplished poet whose work demanded intense concentration, at least on my part. The audience seemed admiring but underwhelmed.

When introducing Billy Collins, Princeton University's prize-winning poet C. K. Wright read a sample from *Nostolgio* ("Remember the 1340s? We were doing a dance called the Catapult/You always wore brown, the color craze of the decade") and the audience immediately came to life. Even secondhand, the Collins charm is formidable. In person, he's balding, slightly built, deceptively demure, with a good but not great reading voice. Yet he rocks the house. Why? It's not merely wit or charm, or even that odd, somewhat dated word, fancy. No matter how high this poet's fancy flies, he is always lucid, right there, never hiding behind the screens that too many poets use to make up for a lack of music or substance. Billy Collins's poetry is never amusing at the expense of its music or its substance.

Nine Horses includes two of the poems that broke up the audience at the Princeton reading. In "The Country," the Collins fancy exploits a simple request from his host not to leave a box of wooden matches lying around the house "because the mice might get into them and start a fire." It takes some kind of jazzy genius to balance the cartoon aspect of the ensuing fantasy with the chorus he plays after depicting the mouse with the match between its teeth ("the blue tip scratching against a rough-hewn beam/the sudden flare") setting the house on fire, the mouse becoming "a torchbearer/in a forgotten ritual/a little brown druid/ illuminating some ancient night." In a lesser poem, allusions this extreme might seem ponderous; here they're amusing, striking, and charming all at once because the comic momentum is working from the first bantering move ("Who could sleep that night?") to the denouement: "Who could fail to notice/lit up in the blazing insulation/the tiny looks of wonderment on the faces/of his fellow mice, onetime inhabitants/of what once was your house in the country?"

Another poem in *Nine Horses* that had the audience laughing was "Litany," wherein Collins riffs brilliantly on another poet's hackneyed trope ("You are the bread and the knife/the crystal goblet and the wine"), turning it into a playful competition that allows him to have his analogical cake and eat it, too: "However, you are not the wind in the orchard/the plums on the counter,/or the house of cards." After telling the other poet what he can and cannot be ("There is no way you are the pine-scented air"), Collins weighs in: "It might interest you to know,/speaking of the plentiful imagery of the world,/that I am the sound of rain on the roof." He also claims to be a shooting star, the evening paper, a basket of chestnuts, a blind woman's teacup, and the moon in the trees: "But don't worry, I am not the bread and the knife./ You are still the bread and the knife./You will always be the bread and the knife."

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Billy Collins

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It's the Collins magic in action as he hits the comic note for all it's worth while running brilliant changes on the aspect of his craft suggested by the pointed reference to "the plentiful imagery of the world," in case we think he's just playing games. He knows the downside of charm and popularity. Here he's hinting to those who might patronize his work as "amusing," "clever," and "light" that his true mission is to explore "the plentiful imagery of the world."

In "Night Club," the poem he concluded the Princeton reading with, he produces a stanza that sends people on their way knowing they have been touched by something more potent than charm. As he imagines "the large man with the tenor sax" handing it down to him, he becomes the poet playing the poem: "So I put the mouthpiece to my lips/ and blow into it with all my living breath." What he plays echoes the love song cliche he began the poem with ("You are so beautiful and I am a fool/to be in love with you"): "We are all so foolish,/my long bebop solo begins by saying,/so damn foolish/we have become beautiful without even knowing it."

Reading or listening to Billy Collins, we become funny, human, brilliant, charming, ridiculous, and beautiful, among numerous other states of being. That's poetry.

—Stuart Mitchner

WANTING SUPPORT: Borough Councilman Andrew Koontz told voters on Sunday that if he is elected he will bring a fresh perspective to Borough issues, particularly the $21.8 million budget forecast for 2004. Mr. Koontz was the only Democrat endorsed by the PCDO.

Koontz Endorsement

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bring a 14-cent increase in taxes per $100 of assessed valuation of land.

"I think it's important to have a fresh pair of eyes looking at [the budget] ... with no strong attachment to any particular program," said Mr. Koontz.

Candidates' Focus

Mr. Martindell also said he was pleased by the number of votes he received, and said his only regret was that he did not receive enough votes to be endorsed by the PCDO.

During his brief introduction to PCDO voters, Mr. Martindell, chairman of the Borough's finance committee, said he has stood strongly against the Borough's budget for several years when his colleagues have voted in favor of it.

"I've probably voted against more municipal budgets than anyone else on Council," he said.

He said his strongest tactic on Council has been to find alternative solutions to problems and to find ways to work with other Council members even when he was at odds with their views.

Giving the Latino community a stronger voice in town is also a key issue for Mr. Martindell.

Mr. Freda said if elected his focus will be to make sure the town's perspective is more fairly represented in Council decisions.

"I have a passion for this town," said Mr. Freda. "Being on Council to me is about listening to people."

Mr. Freda previously served on Council for 13 years, but stepped down in 1999 due to work and family commitments. He told voters that he decided to run again because he was encouraged to by other residents, and because, "I think I can make a difference on Borough Council."

Mr. Freda asked that all four candidates remain in the same voting column for the June primary with no endorsements, however PCDO denied his request.

A woman of the world, Ms. Neumann has lived and taught in various countries in Europe. However the candidate started out here in the Borough, and has since returned with her family.

"While I've lived other places, I've always considered Princeton my home," she said.

A writing teacher at the Arts Council, Ms. Neumann said that although she has personal experience with the Arts Council, she has decided that expanding the facility should not be a priority in Princeton.

Affordable housing, however, should be a main concern, she said: "I'd like to research what other communities have done to tackle problems similar to Princeton's."

When candidates were questioned about their views on affordable housing, all four agreed that there is no available land left in the Borough, however over the years the municipality has done a good job of finding ways to increase affordable housing opportunities.

Mr. Martindell suggested starting a "reverse mortgage" system with existing residents who are unable to make their house payments. Under this plan, the Borough would make payments for them, and when the residents leave the area or pass away, the Borough would take ownership of the house, only paying for the remaining costs of the house that were not already paid for by the municipality.

This suggestion merited applause from audience members in the standing-room-only candidate forum.

Princeton Issues

Each Borough candidate was also asked if he or she felt Princeton University was giving enough money to the Borough.

"No matter what they give us, I'll still want them to give more," said Mr. Martindell. He said that having a large tax-exempt institution in town has created several budget problems for the Borough.

Ms. Neumann said a lack of trust between the Borough and the University has caused the institution to be wary about how much they give to the municipality.

Mr. Koontz reminded residents that the University isn't required to give money to the Borough, and said that the real issue right now is to find property tax relief.

"We need to be more fiscally responsible with any money that comes to the Borough," said Mr. Koontz.

Mr. Freda suggested working hand-in-hand with the University, and showing the school exactly where its money is used each year, a move that could prompt it to give more to the Borough.

In a separate question, Mr. Freda was asked how the current budget should be addressed. He suggested canvassing each department in the Borough to determine where cuts could be made.

"We have to set priorities for what's the most important ... and what services the public is willing to pay for," said Mr. Freda.

Both Republican and Democratic candidates have until April 12 to file petitions with municipal clerks. Voters will have the opportunity to vote for candidates during the June primary, scheduled to take place on June 8.

—Candace Braun

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Nassau Presbyterian Sets Series on Mental Health

Nassau Presbyterian Church is sponsoring a six-week series on mental health issues for families and communities, beginning on Sunday, April 18.

Topics such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, and depression will be discussed, as will specific mental health issues related to adolescents, college students, and families. Presenters will include individuals from NAMI Mercer, the county affiliate of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, Trinity Counseling, and Rider and Rutgers universities.

On Sunday, April 25, Ken Mischner of Trinity Counseling will present "Mental Health Issues for Adolescents."

On Sunday, May 2, Carole Christian, director of counseling services for Rider University, will present "Mental Health Issues for College Students and Young Adults."

On Sunday, May 9, Nancy Hodges, marriage and family therapist in private practice in Princeton, will present "Mental Health Issues for Families."

On Sunday, May 16, May Chen, a Ph.D. candidate in health psychology at Rutgers University, will discuss "Stress, Trauma and Faith."

On Sunday, May 23, members of local faith communities, who have experienced living with mental illness, will present "Living with Mental Illness in the Faith Community."

Presentations will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

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University Museum Shows French Designer's Works

French Designer Charlotte Perriand is frequently named as one of the most important but overlooked modernist designers of the 20th century. The Princeton University Art Museum will give the public an opportunity to view a selection of Perriand's mid-century furniture designs in the exhibition "Useful Forms: Furniture by Charlotte Perriand," on view from Friday, April 2, through July 11, 2004.

Although Perriand has been the subject of major exhibitions in both France and England, she has received almost no exposure in American museums. This Princeton exhibition will be only the second in the U.S. to focus on her work, and the first to concentrate exclusively on Perriand's mid-century designs created during the two decades following her employment in the studio of the architect Le Corbusier.

The exhibit will feature six works, including the colorful shelving unit designed with the Ateliers Jean Prouvé for the dormitory of the Maison du Mexique of the Cité Universitaire, Paris, 1952. Also featured will be a free-form desk from 1960, and a folding chaise-longue Perriand designed during a trip to Japan in 1941.

The show will also include a rare library table designed in collaboration with Prouvé and lighting designer André Salomon for the Mason de l'Etudiant in Paris.

An illustrated brochure with an essay by guest Curator Jennifer King will accompany the show. Ms. King is a PhD candidate in the Department of Art and Archaeology at Princeton University.

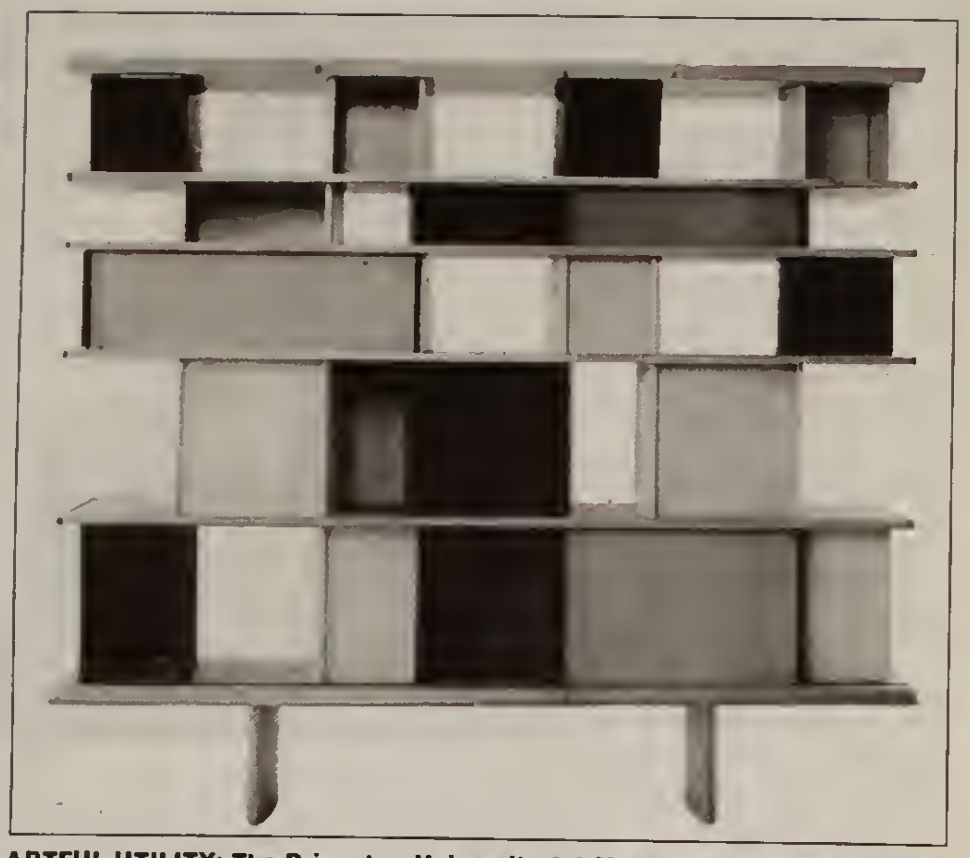
"The exhibition coincides with a recent upsurge in attention to Perriand's career, stemming from the long overdue publication of the first book-length monograph on Perriand in English — 'Charlotte Perriand: An Art of Living'."

There will be an opening reception on Friday, April 2 between 7:30 and 9:30 p.m., and a lecture by Mary McLeod, professor of architecture at Columbia University, on Thursday, April 8 at 4:30 p.m.

A panel discussion on Friday, April 9 at 4:30 p.m. will feature Cristina Grajales, a decorative arts adviser and furniture dealer, Philp Nobel, a design critic, and James Zemaitis, director of 20th century design at Sotheby's, New York on the subject of "Design and Desire: Recent Trends in Modern Design and Collecting Practices." The discussion will be moderated by Esther da Costa Meyer, professor of art and archaeology at Princeton University.

Finally, on Friday, April 16 at 12:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 18 at 3 p.m., curator Jennifer King will offer gallery talks on "Charlotte Perriand and the Modern Dwelling: French Design in the 1940s and 1950s."

The Princeton University Art Museum is open to the public without charge Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The Museum is located in the center of the Princeton campus next to the Prospect House and Gardens. For more information, call (609) 258-3788, or visit the museum's website at www.princetonartmuseum.org.



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'MY FATHER'S HOUSE': This oil-on-linen piece by Linda Pochesci currently appears alongside the oil work of Daniel Finaldi in "Two Views: Paintings, Process & Ideas," at the Rider University Art Gallery through Sunday, April 25. There will be an artists' reception on Thursday, April 1 from 5 to 7 p.m. and an artists' talk on Thursday, April 15 at 7 p.m. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call (609) 895-5588.

Art Camp Registration Begins in Hunterdon

The Hunterdon Museum of Art has launched registration for "A Summer to Shine," the annual children's summer camp program.

Running from June 21 through August20, the camp features over 40 weeklong enrichment programs, including: drawing; cartooning; weaving; sculpting; and jewelry-making. The museum's faculty includes new and returning award-winning artists and educators, professional storytellers, and classroom and enrichment teachers.

The camp offers young artists aged 3 to 14 creative and instructive fun. Young children will explore clay, collage, and painting in "Imagination Adventures," which combines students' talents with guidance from the instructor. Students will enter the world of fantasy in "Mythological Creatures," while sculpting gargoyles, dragons, unicorns, and other mythological beasts and beauties.

"Kinetic Art" offers children the opportunity to experiment with mixed media to create moving sculptures, and future filmmakers can participate in "Video Workshop," where they will create a storyboard, and shoot and edit their own masterpiece. In "Acrylic Painting," young teens will be introduced to several acrylic painting techniques using brushes, palette knives, and sponges for tools.

"A Summer to Shine" has classes that range from new and traditional methods to technique oriented. Full-day classes are held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Morning classes run from 9 a.m. to noon, and afternoon classes are held from 1 to 4 p.m. Students who stay through the lunch hour can participate in "Lunch with the Bunch" where they will have the opportunity to play games and walk to a nearby park with staff members. In addition, the museum will offer "Summer Saturdays," and "Summer Sundays," one-day weekend workshops to pursue clay, painting, sculpture, or design.

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HEAVY METAL REQUIEM: The once-mighty American steel industry will be the subjects of a new photography exhibit, "Requiem for Heavyweights," at the Riverrun Gallery in Lambertville. Mark Ludak's photographs explore the remains of what were once symbols and engines of American prosperity.

Lambertville Gallery Offers Show for Heavyweights

Beauty, elegance in decay, and the deterioration of the once-mighty American steel industry are the subjects of a new photography exhibit at the Riverrun Gallery in Lambertville.

"Requiem for Heavyweights," is an exhibit of Mark Ludak's photographs of the remains of what were once symbols and engines of American prosperity.

One of his photographs, "Arrow-Furnace," depicts an open steel furnace rimmed with snow and ice, indicating non-use. The piece is described by the artist as a "cold reminder of another time." "Skooter-Asbury" portrays the once-vibrant Asbury Park in the light of its relative present day blight capturing the setting sun behind boarded-up buildings and a defunct carousel.

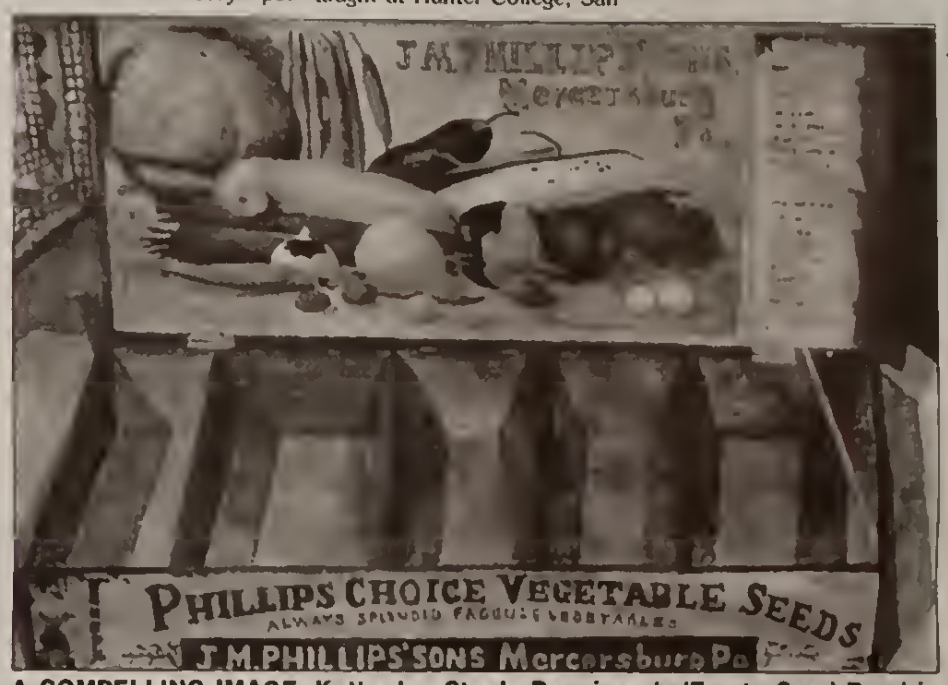
Philadelphia is illustrated in "Nicetown #3." The piece depicts the Nicetown section of Philadelphia which was once an Eastern European immigrant, working class, industrial neighborhood. A particular smokestack in the neighborhood sits in the center of this neighborhood in transition.

Mr. Ludak uses both digital and film cameras. He has also foregone the traditional darkroom, using state-of-the-art ink jet printers.

The photographer has taught at Hunter College, San Francisco State University, Olden Photography Workshops, and has been a guest speaker on documentary photography at the Academy of Art College in San Francisco. His work has also been exhibited at the Eye Gallery in San Francisco, the DFN Gallery in Manhattan, and now the Riverrun Gallery in Lambertville.

The exhibit will run from Wednesday, April 17 through Saturday, May 17.

Riverrun Gallery, located at 287 South Main Street at the Laceworks in Lambertville, is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., except Sunday, when gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. The gallery is closed Tuesdays. For more information, call (609) 397-3349.



A COMPELLING IMAGE: Katharine Steele Renninger's 'Empty Seed Box,' is part of a shared exhibit with artist Tom Chesar. The exhibit, "The Compelling Image: Paintings by Tom Chesar and Katharine Steele Renninger" begins Saturday, April 3 at the Gallery of Fine Art located at 201 South State Street in Newtown, Pa.

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The library continues to be open on Tuesday and Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m.

Currently on view is "Lost Princeton," which recalls businesses, public buildings, farms, estates, and ways of life that have disappeared in the area. Local residents who remember Princeton's past or wonder what the town was like in the past will find interest in this recollective display.

One object that the exhibition commemorates is the Mercer Oak, which was mortally damaged in a storm in 2000. The tree was named for General Hugh Mercer, who was fatally wounded near it during the Battle of Princeton. Images of the oak are found in the logos of Princeton Township and New Jersey's Green Acres Program. Visitors to the museum giftshop can now purchase needlepoint patterns and kits of this piece of local history.

Board of Trustees secretary Lois Madsen created the needlepoint patterns. They are based on a needlepoint pillow she designed and donated to the Society's annual benefit auction. Using a photo of the oak taken in the winter, she needlepointed the trunk and branches, and subsequently added the leaves.

However, Ms. Madsen did not retain a record of her design, so two years later, she commissioned one from Hollis Minor, who has created needlework kits for Winterthur, the Smithsonian, Mount Vernon, and many other museums and historical institutions. They create the kits, she purchased embroidery needles and floss, made photocopies of the charts and packaged everything.

Mercer Oak cross-stitch kits cost $24.95, and the chart alone is $17.95. All proceeds from the sales go to the Society, which has also been given the copyright for the image of the tree made by Ms. Madsen.

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Louisa Melrose Gallery Hosts Pastel Exhibition

In celebration of its 5th anniversary, the Louisa Melrose Gallery is presenting "Purely Pastel 2004" from Thursday, April 1 through Sunday, May 30. The exhibition offers an opportunity to view portraits, landscapes, still life, urban scenes, florals, interiors, and seascapes by more than 15 members of the Pastel Society of America.

There will be an artists' reception on Saturday, April 17, from 4 and 7 p.m.

Participants in the event are artists Jason Chang, Geraldine Gosgrave, Rainie Crawford, Christina Debarry, Christine Debrosky, Diana deSantis, Frank Federico, Barbara Fischman, Julie Friedman, Tim Gaydos, Roz Hollander, Dannielle Mick, Richard Pionk, Peter Seltzer, Rae Smith, Brenda Tribush, Jane Voorhees, Rhoda Yanow, and Frank Zuccarelli.

The exhibit will showcase a blend of diverging styles and points of view highlighted by a full range of subject matter, from classic still life to more unexpected realms.

The gallery, located in the riverside village of Frenchtown, features original artwork, contemporary designer jewelry, furniture, sculpture, and more. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, or by appointment. For more information, call (908) 996-1470 or visit www.louisamelrose artcraft.com.

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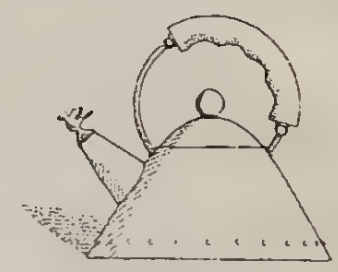
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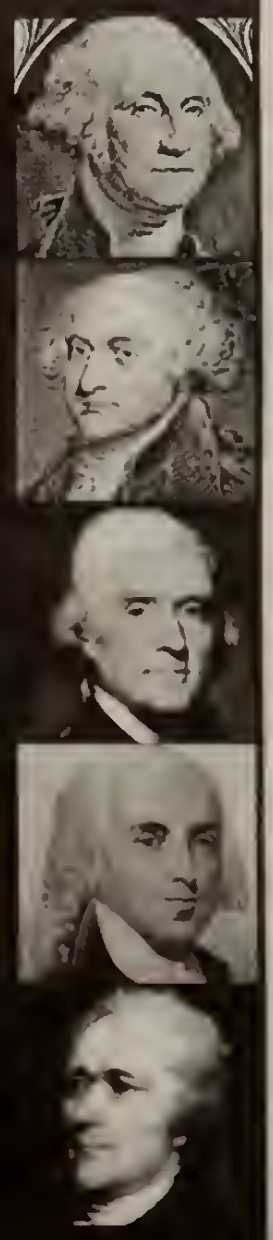

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Saturday, April 3
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Alan Taylor, University of California-Davis
Discussants: Jan E. Lewis, Rutgers Newark; Richard A. Ryerson, David Library of the American Revolution

10:00 a.m. Thomas Jefferson
Barbara Oberg, Princeton University
Discussants: Peter S. Onuf, University of Virginia; Michael Knox Beran, independent scholar, author Jefferson's Demons (2003)

11:00 a.m. James Madison
Lance Banning, University of Kentucky
Discussants: Drew McCoy, Clark University; Alan Gibson, California State College-Chico

Noon Lunch, Shultz Dining Room, Robertson Hall

1:30 p.m. Alexander Hamilton
Joanne Freeman, Yale University
Discussants: Pauline Maier, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Herbert Sloan, Barnard College

2:30 p.m. Summation
Richard Brookhiser, National Review; author of books on Washington, Hamilton, and Adams
Discussants: Stanley Katz, Princeton University; John Murrin, Princeton University

MUSIC REVIEW

In His Farewell Westminster Choir College Concert Flummerfelt Conducts Monumental Beethoven Mass

Scheduling Ludwig van Beethoven's *Missa Solemnis* in a concert season elicits very different reactions from performers and audiences. With more than thirty high B flats in the vocal score, sopranos usually run for cover, yet audiences revel in the massive blocks of choral and orchestral sound composed within Beethoven's total deafness. No matter what the reaction, performance of Beethoven's most significant choral work is a major event.

Westminster Choir College of Rider University used this towering work on Saturday night to celebrate Joseph Flummerfelt's 33-year tenure as the College's artistic director and principal conductor and his impending retirement. Dr. Flummerfelt was given the opportunity to program any work of his choosing for his final concert with the Westminster Symphonic Choir, and he selected *Missa Solemnis* — a dream come true for any conductor.

However, *Missa Solemnis* is not just for any conductor; this choral/orchestral work is as complex as any 19th-century symphony. However, in this performance at the Trenton War Memorial's Patriots Theater, Dr. Flummerfelt led an interpretation which demonstrated his command over the Symphonic Choir, as well as the orchestra and four soloists which accompanied the concert.

Missa Solemnis is from the last ten years of Beethoven's life, the period that also produced the 9th Symphony and the late string quartets, the sonorities of which drew both amazement and bewilderment from Beethoven's contemporaries. Beethoven considered *Missa Solemnis* "the greatest work I have composed so far," and approached the mass text as an expression of intensely personal belief. Unlike his immediate predecessors, Beethoven did not separate the text into alternating ensembles and arias, but rather considered each of the five sections as a mini-symphonic work unto itself, weaving and mingling the solo, choral and orchestral lines among themselves. This is the challenge of the *Missa Solemnis* — to keep all this musical activity on a steady course and emphasize the right voice or instrument at the right time.

Dr. Flummerfelt's tempi for the work were impressively refreshing, and devilish enough at times to show a conductor who has a long and close relationship with his chorus. The opening of the *Gloria*, as well as its closing fugue, was taken at a breakneck, but fortunately performable, pace. It was clear that Dr. Flummerfelt knew where he was going with this piece and expected everyone else to keep up.

The Westminster Festival Orchestra, comprised of area professional players, adeptly shifted colors for each internal section. The orchestra had its own story to tell, and although the military effects of the brass and timpani were lost at times in the flat lay-out of the stage, this ensemble played as though they had been playing together for years.

The vocal quartet was comprised of three singers with Westminster connections and a fourth who fits well into any vocal ensemble. Soprano Sally Wolf, who with mezzo-soprano Laura Brooks Rice is on the voice faculty of Westminster, had the perfect nuances of a soprano line that floats above the rest of the musical action. Ms. Rice and tenor Patrick Marques (who received his vocal training at Westminster) created an especially clean sound as inner voices. Beethoven intended the vocal soloists to work together as an ensemble, and there are no "stars" among them. These three singers, joined by a very steady David Arnold, were probably hampered most by their positions on the very crowded stage, essentially behind the conductor and so far to the side that Mr. Marques and Mr. Arnold had to turn 90 degrees to get their cues.

Most of all, *Missa Solemnis* is about the chorus. The full force of the Westminster Symphonic Choir may have been restricted most by the recently renovated stage and acoustics in the Patriots Theater. The first two-thirds of the stage (including the orchestra and soloists) was clear and well blended, but the sound from the back third of the stage was often swallowed up when all forces were playing together. The chorus was most exceptional when singing a cappella, such as the "qui propter nos homines" text of the Credo, when the legendary Westminster Choir was evident. The role of the chorus in this mass is often to echo the text declaimed by the quartet, and with meticulously matched vowels and color, there was never any question that the chorus was fully integrated into, and at times at the forefront, of the performance.

Dr. Flummerfelt is retiring from Westminster Choir College, yet like many conductors leaving an ensemble after an extended tenure, his influence will be felt for years to come.

—Nancy Plum

BAND LEADERS: Concert principals Linda Docar, left, on marimba, and trumpet soloist Sharif Sazzad, center, will perform under the baton of Dr. Jerry Rife, right, when the Blawenburg Band celebrates its 114th anniversary with a concert on Saturday, May 1 at Montgomery High School.

Blawenburg Band Concert To Mark Its 114th Year

The Blawenburg Band will celebrate its 114th anniversary on Saturday, May 1 with a free concert of standards and audience favorites at Montgomery High School at 8 p.m.

The band, one of the state's oldest, is conducted by Dr. Jerry Rife, professor of music at Rider University. Under his guidance the band has grown from a small town ensemble to a musical organization performing more than 30 concerts annually.

Following the concert in the school's auditorium, a Dixieland session will be held in the school cafeteria with free refreshments.

Since its founding in 1890, the Blawenburg Band has performed regularly at church socials, parades, picnics, and town concerts. It also plays regularly at nursing homes, veterans hospitals, and retirement communities.

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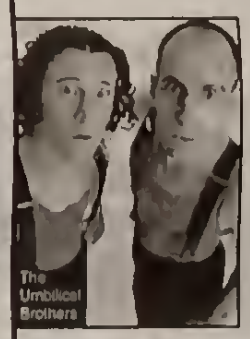

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Works of Haydn, Ravel On Musica Viva Program

Musica Viva will continue its second season on Friday, April 2 with a concert featuring the Musica Viva Chamber Ensemble accompanied by guest soprano Judith Bettina. The program will include two Haydn Divertimenti and Ms. Bettina collaborating with the ensemble in Ravel's *Chansons Madécasses*. It will conclude with Ms. Bettina and the ensemble performing Schoenberg's song cycle *Pierrot Lunaire*.

The performance will take place at The Kirby Arts Center on the campus of The Lawrenceville School.

Judith Bettina

The program will begin with an informal pre-concert talk at 7:15 p.m. in which pianist Robert Taub and colleagues will discuss interpretive, instrumental, and historical aspects of the program. The performance will begin at 8 p.m. and be followed by a post-concert discussion between members of the audience and the artists.

Ms. Bettina has been guest soloist with such orchestras as the San Francisco Symphony, Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, American Composers' Orchestra, and the Munich Philharmonic. She has performed with chamber groups throughout the U.S. and Europe, and has recorded for Harmonia Mundi, Opus One, and Wergo.

The Musica Viva Chamber Ensemble comprises chamber musicians from New York. For this concert Curtis Macomber will play both violin and viola, Tara Helen O'Conner flute and piccolo, Allen Blustine clarinet and bass clarinet, and Chris Finkel cello. James Goldsworthy and Robert Taub will be the pianists for the Ravel and Schoenberg pieces, respectively.

Adult tickets are $15; students 18 and under are free. Parking is free. For more information, visit www.Musica Viva.info or call (609) 620-6655.

Trenton Music School Slates Benefit Concert

Soprano Deborah Ford will be the honoree at The Trenton Community Music School's annual benefit concert on Sunday, April 18. The concert, which will raise money for the school's financial aid and scholarship programs, will be held at Har Sinai Temple, 491 Bellevue Avenue in Trenton.

Ms. Ford will sing art songs by Brahms and Schubert, as well as several gospel selections. Other artists on the program include classical pianist Alan Mallach, and The Latin Trio, a Trenton-based Latin jazz group headed by Dennis Guevara. A TCMS faculty string quartet and ensemble of Suzuki violin students will also perform.

Following the concert, the audience will be invited to join the performing artists at a reception.

Since her debut at Washington's Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in 1985, Ms. Ford has received many accolades, including first place in the New Jersey State Opera Competition. She was also the first prize winner of the American Institute of Musical Studies Competition in Graz, Austria. She has been a featured soloist with Princeton Pro Musica, the Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra, and Princeton Symphony Orchestra, in addition to the Harrisburg Orchestra, St. Louis Opera Festival, Los Angeles Masterwork Chorale, and American Music Theater Festival.

Ms. Ford is the music coordinator of Trinity Cathedral, and director of the Absalom Jones Inspirational Choir and Trinity Children's Choir. She is also on the music faculty at Stuart Academy of the Sacred Heart in Princeton.

Mr. Mallach, formerly Trenton's director of Housing and Economic Development, recently retired to pursue his interest in musical performance and research. An accomplished pianist who began his piano studies as a teenager in Israel, he has given recitals in Princeton, Roosevelt, and at the New Jersey State Museum. He is the author of *Pietro Mascagni and His Operas*.

Tickets for the performance and reception are $15 for adults and $5 for students, and will be available at the door. For more information, call (609) 394-8700.

Westminster Ensemble Schedules Spring Concert

The Westminster Jubilee Singers, conducted by J. Donald Dumpson, will perform its spring concert on Friday, April 2 at 8 p.m. in Westminster's Bristol Chapel. The program will include African-American spirituals, hymns, and gospel songs.

The ensemble will perform works in the classical format by African-American composers, such as *I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes* by Adolphus Hailstork and *The Gospel Mass* by Robert Ray. Also on the program will be *Ride On King Jesus*, arranged by L.L. Flemming; hymns such as *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* by William M. Runyan; contemporary gospel songs by Kirk Franklin and Richard Smallwood; and spiritual arrangements by Moses Hogan and Shelton Becton.

The Westminster Jubilee Singers is a multicultural, multiracial choral ensemble that performs music from the African-American tradition. It recently presented a joint concert titled "Living the Dream" with Penn State University's Essence of Joy ensemble as a tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and this past fall performed at the Apollo Theater in New York to mark the Children's Defense Fund's 30th anniversary. Its new recording, *A Celebration of Spirituals, Hymns and Gospel Songs*, was released this winter.

J. Donald Dumpson

Mr. Dumpson is equally at home in the classroom, on the stage, and in church. A member of Westminster's sacred music faculty, he is also minister at Bright Hope Baptist Church in Philadelphia, where he has taken the Bright Hope Celestial Choir to television and Broadway. His talents as a keyboardist, arranger, and composer have led to collaborations with many musicians ranging from Bobby McFerrin and Charles Dutoit to Cab Calloway and Patti LaBelle.

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Folk Music Society Plans Encore Concert by Duo

The singer-songwriter duo Mae Robertson and Eric Garrison will perform in a concert sponsored by The Princeton Folk Music Society at 8:15 p.m. on Friday, April 16 at Christ Congregation Church. The team appeared as part of the Princeton Folk Music Society's 35th anniversary concert a few years ago.

Ms. Robertson and Mr. Garrison first played together at North Carolina's Swannoa Gathering, where they both taught classes and presented workshops on folk music performance, production, and marketing. They found that they enjoyed making music together so much that they began performing as a duo. Their first album together, *Sweet Dreams of Home*, won the Oppenheim Platinum and the Parents' Choice Silver Awards, and was listed as one of the best of the year by The Parent's Guide to Children's Media.

In performance, Ms. Robertson and Mr. Garrison combine their original material with a variety of songs by other writers and traditional tunes. They claim that they "love a good song, a good story, and a good laugh," and try to bring that to their audiences.

Ms. Robertson has released four other albums, three of children's songs. Mr. Garrison's latest release, *Looking for Egypt*, features performances by Rick Danko and Garth Hudson of The Band, John McCutcheon, and Bob Franke.

Admission is $15 for the public, $10 for members of the Folk Music Society and affiliated organizations, and $3 for children 11 and under. There are no advance sales.

For more information about Folk Music Society events, call (609) 799-0944.

Christ Congregation Church is located at 50 Walnut Lane.

FOLKSINGERS: Mae Robertson and Eric Garrison will perform together in a Princeton Folk Music Society concert on Friday, April 16 at Christ Congregation Church.

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Poetry Reading to Feature Music of John Burkhalter

From Romonia, a program of music and poetry by two Princeton residents, will be presented at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore in Market-Fair on Tuesday, April 13 at 7 p.m. The reading will mark National Poetry Month.

The program will be a collaboration of poet-sociologist Joan Goldstein, Ph.D., and musician John Burkhalter III.

Prof. Goldstein, a professor of sociology and an educational counselor at Mercer County Community College, studied creative writing at the University of Iowa. As a research sociologist, she is author of several award nominated books on environment and energy. The *From Romania* poems were drawn from period photos and recovered memories of her family who had immigrated to America from the city of Iasi in Romania. Prof. Goldstein discovered that Iasi was and still is a center of poetry and music, museums, opera houses and theaters.

Using ancient instruments from Latin America, Africa, China and Europe, Mr. Burkhalter has scored musical sounds that heighten the imagery and mood of the poetry. This is the fifth year of his artistic collaboration with Prof. Goldstein.

Mr. Burkhalter studied the performance of early music at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston, and the performance of Baroque music at Harvard University. He has served as a musical consultant for the National Geographic Society in Washington, D.C.

For more information, call (609) 716-1570.

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Friends of Opera to Host "Little Women" Preview

In cooperation with Westminster Choir College, Princeton Friends of Opera (PFO) will sponsor a preview of Mark Adamo's opera *Little Women* on Wednesday, April 7 at Westminster's Williamson Hall Lounge. The event will be followed by a reception, including refreshments, at which audience members will have an opportunity to discuss the opera with the presenters.

Laura Brooks Rice, professor of voice and head of Westminster's Opera Theatre Program, will provide commentary on the opera. Assistant professor J.J. Penna, director of the production, will offer excerpts of the production with the help of student performers.

The opera will be performed at the Choir College in late April and early May.

Tickets for the lecture/preview are $15 for members of Princeton Friends of Opera, $20 for non-members, and may be ordered by calling (215) 493-6876.

Princeton Friends of Opera will also host a garden party at the Princeton home of a PFO member prior to the May 1 performance of the opera. The organization said details about the event would be announced soon.

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University Concert Choir To Perform Haydn Work

The Princeton University Concert Choir will present Haydn's late masterpiece *Die Jahreszeiten* ("The Seasons") on Saturday, April 17 at 8 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium. The performance will be conducted by Richard Tang Yuk.

Richard Tang Yuk

After completing all of his symphonies and string quartets, the composer, in a final burst of creative energy, turned to the choral genre for his final works, and in his 69th year wrote *Die Jahreszeiten* after a poem with the same title by James Thomson. The poem was well known and admired in the 18th century and was adapted as a libretto for Haydn by his patron Baron Gottfried van Sweiten, who also collaborated on an earlier work, *The Creation*.

The Richardson performance will feature soloists Christina Pier, soprano; Michael Colvin, tenor; and Todd Thomas, baritone. Tickets are $20 and are available by calling (609) 258-5000.

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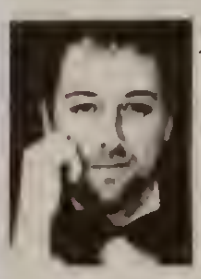

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THEATER REVIEW

Love, Marriage and Middle-Class Morality Go On Trial In Lively Production of Shaw's "Candida" at McCarter

Controversy over the institution of marriage may take different forms over the years, but it never seems to disappear from the forefront of our cultural consciousness. "There is no subject on which more dangerous nonsense is talked and thought than marriage," opined the great Irish playwright George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950), and, with marriage rates declining, divorce rates soaring and same-sex partners seeking civil and theological sanctions, who knows what he might have to say about the current status of marriage in our society.

MARITAL BLISS: Reverend Morrell (Michael Siberry) and his loving wife Candida (Kate Forbes) see their beliefs about love and marriage turned upside down by the visit of an impassioned young poet, in George Bernard Shaw's "Candida," playing at McCarter's Matthews Theatre through April 11. (Photo by T. Charles Erickson)

Shaw's comedy *Candida*, written in 1894 and currently playing in a lucid, spirited production at McCarter's Matthews Theatre, has plenty to say about the flimsiness of many of our most cherished notions concerning that troubled institution.

Prolific author of a diverse body of work, including more than 30 major plays, Shaw loved nothing better than puncturing the balloons of his bourgeois contemporaries and attacking conventional ideas on gender roles, marriage, fidelity and religion — all of which provide juicy targets in *Candida*, an early masterpiece.

Set in the sitting room of a northeast London parsonage, the story revolves around three main characters: James Morrell (Michael Siberry), an idealistic, progressive Socialist minister of the Church of England; his charming wife Candida (Kate Forbes); and the impassioned young poet Eugene Marchbanks (Jeffrey Carlson), who enters the home, announces to Morrell, "I love your wife," and proceeds to demolish many of Morrell's previously unquestioned beliefs about his marriage and himself.

The proceedings, stretching over three acts from morning to the night of a single day, culminate in Candida's announcement that she must choose between the two men and that she will conduct an "auction," in which the two men must present their cases. The climactic scene, rich in drama and comedy with frequent surprises, is a triumph of Shaw's playwriting, of Lisa Peterson's direction, and of sophisticated, skillful character work by all three actors.

Candida could certainly be classified as one of Shaw's "discussion plays," and the dialogue is full of Shaw's customary wit, politics, and intellectual ideas. Amidst all the discussion, however (and the need for more attentive listening than the average contemporary audience is accustomed to exert), Ms. Peterson keeps the pace moving swiftly. The dialogue bristles, the comedy resonates richly, and the characters — including three finely drawn supporting roles — come to life with vivid and memorable expression. At just over two hours, the evening passes swiftly and enjoyably.

Mr. Carlson's animated Marchbanks (He played Romeo in Emily Mann's 2001 production of *Romeo and Juliet* at McCarter, and was recently on Broadway in Edward Albee's *The Goat* and in Boy George's musical *Taboo*) is a whirlwind of sighing, languishing and expostulating in the throes of tormented, anarchic, angelic, unrequited love. With his long bedraggled hair, worn jacket, tattered fingerless gloves and brown canvas shoes, this displaced son of aristocracy seems an alien presence by the hearth in the family sitting room. His poetic soul would be more at home on the heath or in the nighttime city streets.

Marchbanks is unquestionably an alien presence to the patrician Morrell. In the hands of these two superb actors, the two foils clash dynamically. The presence of Mr. Siberry's burly liberal, middle-aged minister and the boyish, impetuous poet on stage together provides continuously high tension, crackling conflict, and surprising comic twists and turns.

Marchbanks does not hesitate to go on the attack in quest for the love of Candida: "A woman with a great soul, craving for reality, truth, freedom and being fed on metaphors, sermons, stale perorations, mere rhetoric? Do you think a woman's soul can live on your talent for preaching?"

Marchbanks is the truth-teller, a dangerous presence in any family setting, as Candida explains, "Eugene's always right. He understands you; he understands me ... and you, James — you understand nothing."

Ms. Forbes' Candida, the object of both men's affections, provides a strong focal point for the production. She asserts an appropriately maternal control of herself and the two male protagonists. The critic Eric Bentley has compared *Candida* to Henrik Ibsen's *A Doll's House*, but here the woman is clearly in charge, and it is the husband who has become the pampered doll, highly successful in his career perhaps, but so deluded and helpless in the sphere of his own home or in the business of real life.

Polly Lee as the efficient, nervous and infatuated secretary, Michael Milligan as the comically mannered and finicky curate, and Robert Langdon Lloyd as Candida's businessman father all assist in developing the character of Morrell and creating their own strikingly interesting and entertaining figures of the world of late Victorian London.

The unit set; designed by Neil Patel with lighting by David Weiner, depicts the Morrell's sitting room and study with three enormous windows on the upstage wall, the minister's disorderly work table (no less than fifteen feet long) at center stage, and a fireplace, the family hearth, downstage center. The dramatic green leafy wallpaper design appropriately evokes the pre-Raphaelite inspiration of William Morris' Arts and Crafts Movement, with which Shaw allied himself. The setting is impressive, but overwhelming in its proportions and a bit perplexing as the residence of a socialist minister.

George Bernard Shaw's *Candida* will run through April 11 at McCarter's Matthews Theatre. For tickets and further information call (609) 258-2787 or visit www.mccarter.org.

Playgoers with a psychoanalytical bent, wanting to explore further Shaw's creation of *Candida*, might well see alter egos of the playwright — and at the same time the brilliance of this play — in all three of his central characters. Certainly he identified with Morrell, a socialist, a moralist, an idealist and man, like himself, "full of spiritual enthusiasm and sympathetic emotion." But at the same time he perceived Morrell as "a great baby, pardonably vain of his powers and unconsciously pleased with himself."

Shaw also must have possessed great affinity for Marchbanks, the amorous young poet, the truth teller, shattering the smug assumptions of the minister and his world. Ultimately, however, in creating this play, Shaw perhaps plays the role of Candida, the maternal figure, presiding over the proceedings and helping, with firmness and love, her two "boys" to better understand themselves and to find or rechart their paths in life.

The issues are infinitely complex, infinitely controversial. As Shaw later wrote in his *Man and Superman*, "Those who talk about the blessings of marriage and the constancy of its vows are the very people who declare that if the chain were broken and the prisoners were left free to choose, the whole social fabric would fly asunder. You can't have the argument both ways."

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NEW SQUARE STATUES: Princeton University students Grace Labatt, Scott Elmegreen, and Liz Berg hit the streets last weekend to generate some buzz ahead of the opening Thursday of a student production "Spettacolo!" at 185 Nassau. *(Photo by George Vogel)*

"Alice In Wonderland" Coming to Kelsey Theatre

An original musical adaptation of the Lewis Carroll classic *Alice in Wonderland* will be given two performances at Mercer County Community College's Kelsey Theatre on Saturday, April 24, at 2 and 4 p.m. The production is from GMT Productions, a theatrical touring company from Georgia that specializes in touring classical, character-building plays for young audiences.

Alice's adventures in Wonderland begin when she falls down the rabbit hole. Once in Wonderland, she meets one surprising character after another — the Cheshire Cat, the Mad Hatter, Tweedledum and Tweedledee, the White Rabbit, the Red Queen, the White Queen, and more. Along the way she learns valuable lessons about honesty, courage, loyalty to friends, and triumph over adversity.

Tickets for Alice are $8, and may be purchased by calling (609) 584-9444 or by visiting www.kelseyatmccc.org.

Kelsey Theatre is wheelchair accessible and provides assisted listening devices upon request. It is located on the college's West Windsor campus at 1200 Old Trenton Road.

CURIOUSER AND CURIOUSER: Alice (right) meets an array of unusual characters in GMT Productions musical adaptation of "Alice in Wonderland," coming to MCCC's Kelsey Theatre on April 24.

"Jesus Christ Superstar" At Bucks County Theater

The rock opera *Jesus Christ Superstar* will return to the Bucks County Playhouse for a two-week run beginning Thursday, April 1. The production will be directed by Playhouse owner Ralph Miller.

With music by Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyrics by Tim Rice, the musical includes such songs as *I Don't Know How To Love Him* and the title song, *Jesus Christ Superstar*. The story, recounting the last seven days in the life of Christ, is told in a campy style.

The role of Jesus will be played by Louis Palena, previously seen on the Bucks County stage as Seymour Krelbourn in *Little Shop of Horrors*, the emcee in *Cabaret*, Billy Lawlor in *42nd Street*, and Sister Mary Amnesia in *Nunsense, A-Men*.

The production will run through April 11. Performances are Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. Two additional performances are scheduled for Thursday, April 1 at 11 a.m., and Friday, April 9 at 2 p.m.

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Spettacolo!

A Princeton Theater and Dance Production

THE WORK BOOT SPLIT: Also known as the Squeegee Split, as performed by Liz Berg, with Sherry Rujikarn (standing) on squeegee, at the *Spettacolo!* dress rehearsal. *(Photo by George Vogel)*

DRENCHED: While Liz Berg and Scott Elmegreen look in the other direction, Grace Labatt surprises Sherry Rujikarn at the Princeton Program in Theater and Dance's dress rehearsal for *Spettacolo!* *(Photo by George Vogel)*

OOPS!: Tourist troubles for Olivia Wills at the *Spettacolo!* dress rehearsal.

EMILY AND FRANK: Olivia Wills as a distraught Emily and John Vennema as Frank in some disarray after their chance meeting in Italy, the subject of *Spettacolo!*, this year's second of three productions by the Princeton Program in Theater and Dance. *(Photo by George Vogel)*

FRAMED: Liz Berg miming at the *Spettacolo!* dress rehearsal. The second of three productions of the Princeton Program in Theater and Dance, *Spettacolo!* was written by Maura Cody '04 and tells the story of a chance meeting between two American tourists in Italy. It features street performers, dancing, comedy, and drama in an intimate setting. *(Photo by George Vogel)*

CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 31

Noon: Drumthwacket Tour. Every Wednesday. Reservation required; call (609) 683-0591.

12:30 to 1 p.m.: Organ recital; Princeton University Chapel.

6 p.m.: Panel discussion, "What is Latin American About Latin American Music?"; Taplin Auditorium, Fine Hall.

8 p.m.: *Condido*; McCarter Theatre. Also Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3:30 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: *tick, tick...BOOM!*; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 1

11 a.m. and 8 p.m.: *Jesus Christ Superstar* ; Bucks County Playhouse. Also Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

4:30 p.m.: Lecture by Stanford University Law Prof. Deborah Rhode, "Access to Justice: Making Law Available to Those Who Need It Most"; McCosh 28, Princeton University.

7 p.m: Panel discussion, "Jewish Americans and Israelis in Solidarity with the Palestinians"; McCosh 46.

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board; Township Municipal Complex, 400 Witherspoon Street.

8 p.m.: Student Play, *Spettacolo!*; Mathews Acting Studio, 185 Nassau Street. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: *The Trestle at Pope Lick Creek*; Theatre Intime, Hamilton Murray Theater, Murray-Dodge Hall. Also Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: Cuarteto Latinoamericano; Richardson Auditorium.

10 p.m.: Kwait Brothers Band; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

Friday, April 2

10 a.m.: *Sleeping Beauty*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell.

4:30 p.m.: Talk, with Derek Attridge, author of *Body, Ink & Pen: How Joyce Wrote 'Ulysses'*; Stewart Film Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

6 to 9 p.m.: Sunset Art Stroll; downtown Princeton.

7:30 p.m.: Pianist-singer Peter Cincotti; Berlind Theatre. Also Saturday at 7:30 and 10 p.m.

8 p.m.: Westminster Jubilee Singers Spring Concert; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

8 p.m.: A *Connecticut Yonkee in King Arthur's Court*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Wrong Turn at Lungfish*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. 8 p.m.: Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: Jazz trio The Bad Plus; Mount-Burke Theater, Peddle School, Hightstown. Pre-concert conversation with the musicians at 7 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Prophet and Carpenter*; Mackay Campus Center, Princeton Theological Seminary. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: Musica Viva Chamber Ensemble; Kirby Arts Center, The Lawrenceville School.

10:30 p.m.: Roaming Gabriel's Rock Band; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

Saturday, April 3

11 a.m.: Children's Talk, "Medieval Times"; Princeton University Art Museum.

1 to 4 p.m.: Healthy Kids Day; Princeton Family YMCA.

1 p.m.: Easter Bunny Visit and Easter Egg Hunt; The Green, Palmer Square.

2 to 4 p.m.: New Jersey Poetry Society; Princeton University Store.

7:30 p.m.: The Boys Choir of Harlem; Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton.

8 p.m.: Westminster Singers Spring Concert; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

10:30 p.m.: Latin pop/rock band DeSol; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

Sunday, April 4

3 p.m.: Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra, Copland's *Appalachian Spring*; Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton.

4 p.m.: Film, *The Revolution Will Not Be Televised*; Carl A. Fields Center.

Monday, April 5
Recycling Pickup

Tuesday, April 6

8 p.m.: *tick, tick...BOOM!*; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Wednesday through Saturday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 7

12:30 to 1 p.m.: Organ recital; Princeton University Chapel.

4:30 p.m.: Reading by Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Oscar Hijuelos; James Stewart Theater, Nassau Street.

7:30 p.m.: Borough Council; Borough Hall.

8 p.m.: *Condido*; McCarter Theatre. Also Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3:30 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

9:30 p.m.: Equinox Jazz Band; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

Thursday, April 8

10 a.m. and 11 a.m.: Princeton Ballet School performances of *Jump, Frog, Jump!*; Lord Stirling School, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Student Play, *Spettocolo!*; Mathews Acting Studio, 185 Nassau Street. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Jesus Christ Superstar* ; Bucks County Playhouse. Also Friday at 2 and 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

Friday, April 9

8 p.m.: *Wrong Turn at Lungfish*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

10:30 p.m.: Randy Lippincott Blues Band; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

Saturday, April 10

8 p.m.: Westminster faculty recital; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

10:30 p.m.: Stonewater Groove rock band; Triumph Brewing Company, Nassau Street.

SENIOR CITIZENS CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 31- Wednesday, April 7

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Wednesday, March 31:
9:30 a.m. Aerobics; SPC.
10:00 a.m. Studio Time; SPC.
10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; RC.
10:30 a.m. Living with the Islamic World; SPC.
11:00 a.m. Let's Talk in English; SC.
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC.

Thursday, April 1:
9:30 a.m. Yoga; SPC.
10:00 a.m. Shakespeare off the Page; PCV.
10:00 a.m. Chekhov; SPC.
1:00 p.m. Mixed Media Art; SPC.
2:30 p.m. Internet; SPC.

Friday, April 2:
9:30 a.m. Aerobics; SPC.
9:30 a.m. Free Tax Assistance; SPC.
10:45 a.m. Ping-Pong; SPC.

Monday, April 5:
9:30 a.m. Aerobics; SPC.
11:15 a.m. Chair Exercise; SC.
12:30 p.m. Free Tax Assistance; SC.
1:00 p.m. Strength Training; SPC.
1:00 p.m. "Decoding Henry James"; SPC.
1:30 p.m. The Wonder of Wordplay with Rice Lyons; SPC.
2:30 p.m. Intermediate Spanish with Sandra Beirman; SPC.

Tuesday, April 6:
10:00 a.m. Tai-Chi; SPC.
10:00 a.m. Great Decisions; SPC.
11:15 a.m. Lunchtime Yoga; SPC.
12:30 p.m. Social Bridge; SPC.
1:00 p.m. James Joyce; SPC.
1:00 p.m. Mixed Media Art; SPC.
1:00 p.m. History of the Near East with George Ingenbrandt; SC.
1:30 p.m. Computer Lab; SPC.

Wednesday, April 7:
9:30 a.m. Aerobics; SPC.
10:00 a.m. Studio Time; SPC.
10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; RC.
10:30 a.m. Living with the Islamic World; SPC.
11:00 a.m. Let's Talk in English; SC.
2:00 p.m. Travel Club; SPC.
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too; SC.

ENTHUSIASTIC BLUE FANS: Complete with war paint and smiles, students cheer on their classmates at "The Final Battle of the Blue & Gold." The event marked the culmination of a John Witherspoon Middle School P.E. unit that strives to teach good sportsmanship rather than athletic prowess. Competitions included a shoe jumble, an egg race, balloon popping, tug of war, and volleyball.

(Photo by E.J. Greenblatt)

TV30 Schedule from Wed. 03/31/04 to Tue. 04/06/04
(programs may be changed without further notice)

Programs	Wed 03/31	Th. 04/01	Fri. 04/02	Sat 04/03	Sun 04/04	Mon 04/05	Tue 04/06
Mercer County News	10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM			10:00 AM
VOX ARTIS. Interview with Local Artists	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM	10:30 AM
A Barron Arts Center - Music	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM
Religious Program	11:30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM	11:30 AM		
"Peekeboo" – children's program	12:00 PM	12:00 PM	12:00 PM	12:00 PM	12:00 PM	12:00 PM	12:00 PM
Cooking with Giovenna	12:30 PM	12:30 PM	12:30 PM	12:30 PM	12:30 PM	12:30 PM	12:30 PM
"Community Code" with Adam Bierman. Interviews	1:10 PM	1:10 PM	1:10 PM	1:10 PM	1:10 PM	1:00 PM	1:00 PM
"Sepie" - about McCaffrey's Market Murel, produced by Frank Adams						1:30 PM	1:30 PM
Cafe' Improv	2:00 PM	2:00 PM	2:00 PM	2:00 PM	2:00 PM	2:00 PM	2:00 PM
"Why the Earth is Habitable" by Prof. Samuel Philander	4:00 PM	4:00 PM	4:00 PM	4:00 PM	4:00 PM		
"The Reformation and the Counter Reformation' by Prof. A,T. Grafton						4:00 PM	4:00 PM
Interviews at the Grounds for Sculpture.	5:15 PM	5:15 PM	5:15 PM	5:15 PM	5:15 PM	5:15 PM	5:15 PM
"Community Code" produced by Adam Bierman	6:00 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM
Meet the Mayors.	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM
Mercer County News (Mon.-Fri.) & WZBN en Espanol (Sat. & Sun.)	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM
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A Writers Community. Interviews with writers		8:00 PM	8:00 PM		8:00 PM		8:00 PM
VOX ARTIS. Interview with Local Artists	0:00 PM	9:00 PM	9:00 PM	9:00 PM	9:00 PM	9:00 PM	9:00 PM
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CINEMA REVIEW — *"Walking Tall"*

The Rock Rolls in Remake as Corruption Fighting Sheriff

In the early sixties, Buford Pusser retired from the professional wrestling circuit and returned to rural McNair County, Tennessee to discover that his hometown had degenerated into a modern-day Sodom and Gomorrah. He was dismayed to find it so overrun with corruption that even the police were unwilling to halt all the prostitution, moonshining, gambling, and other organized criminal activity which had invaded the area in his absence.

Not wanting to have to raise his kids in a depraved community controlled by mobsters, Buford decided to do something about it. So, he ran for sheriff and won, and embarked on a one-man crusade to clean up the streets, wielding a 4 foot long club as his weapon of choice. Though some cowardly, gun-wielding hoodlums would murder his wife in an ambush which also almost cost Pusser his own life, the hard-nosed lawman persevered and ultimately prevailed.

His extraordinary exploits have already been the subject of several biopics before. The first *Walking Tall* (1973) rode the wave of the emerging vigilante justice genre of the seventies, around the same time of other films like *Dirty Harry*, *Death Wish* and *Billy Jack*. The original was successful enough to spawn a couple of sequels, *Walking Tall Part II* and *Final Chapter*, before being spun into a TV series in 1981.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME: Chris (The Rock, right) is reunited with his mom Connie (Barbara Tarbuck), sister Michelle (Kristen Wilson), and father Chris (John Beasley, upper left) after being discharged from the Army. *(Photo by Bob Akester)*

The new, and arguably improved, *Walking Tall*, starring pro wrestler-turned-actor The Rock, is very loosely based on Mr. Pusser. The names of all the characters have been changed, the tale is now set in a remote region of the Pacific Northwest, and events have been altered in the interest of the storyline.

The changes haven't prevented Hollywood from billing the movie as inspired by Pusser's real-life story. The upshot is that the remake is a high octane action film.

As the plot unfolds, Special Forces Officer Chris Vaughan (The Rock) has just been discharged from the U.S. Army. When he moves back in with his parents, he learns that his tranquil hometown is being terrorized by a crime syndicate run by Jay Hamilton (Neal McDonough), a spoiled rich kid he remembers from high school. With the police on the take, Hamilton has the authorities looking the other way while he deals drugs and operates a casino/strip club.

Chris has a personal reason for getting involved, once he catches his sister's teenage son smoking marijuana. After he runs for sheriff and deputizes paroled buddy Ray (Johnny Knoxville), the pair embark on a campaign to rid the area of undesirables.

Very Good (★★★). Rated PG-13 for graphic violence, profanity, sexual content, and teen drug abuse.

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Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London (PG for action violence and crude humor). Frankie Muniz returns for another round of hijinks as the cool teen recruited by the CIA for another gadget-laden caper. Cody goes undercover at a posh British prep school to find the rogue agent who has stolen a mind-control device.

The Barbarian Invasions (R for profanity, sex chat, and drug use). This Best Foreign Film Oscar-winner revolves around a womanizing professor who is now divorced, cancer ridden and attempting to reconcile with his ex-wife, his son, several mistresses, and old friends. In French with subtitles.

Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen (PG for mature themes and mild epithets). Disney adaptation of the young adult novel by Dylan Sheldon into a romantic comedy about the peer group adjustment problems of a high school girl (Lindsey Lohan) from Greenwich Village whose family moves to a New Jersey suburb.

Dawn of the Dead (R for profanity, sexuality, and pervasive gory violence). Remake of the creepy 1978 screamfest about survivors of a zombie-producing plague who barricade themselves in a shopping mall. With Ving Rhames, Mekhi Phifer and Sarah Polley.

Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind (R for sex, expletives, and drug use). Kate Winslet and Jim Carrey are a couple who are tring to save their struggling relationship by undergoing a procedure which is supposed to erase only their bad memories of each other. With Kirsten Dunst, Mark Ruffalo and Elijah Wood.

Girl with a Pearl Earring (PG-13 for sex content). Scarlett Johansson stars as the title character of this 17th century costume drama, based on the Tracy Chevalier novel of the same name, which speculates about the anonymous subject of the famous Vermeer painting of the same name.

Goodbye Lenin! (R for profanity and sexuality). A collapse of Communism comedy about a Western-leaning, political agitator who decides to hide the fact that the Berlin Wall has fallen from his dyed-in-the-wool, pinko mother who is bed-ridden with a heart problem. In German with subtitles.

Hellboy (PG-13 for supernatural violence and frightening images). Adapted from *Seed of Destruction*, the first in the *Hellboy* series of graphic novels by Mike Mignola, this sci-fi flick revolves around a demonic superhero created as a result of a 1944 Nazi experiment gone wrong.

Home on the Range (PG for rude humor). Disney animated adventure about a bunch of bovines who hatch a plan to save themselves from being shipped to a meat-packing plant. Voicework provided by Dame Judi Dench, Roseanne, Cuba Gooding, Steve Buscemi, and Jennifer Tilly.

Hidalgo (PG-13 for violence and mild sexual innuendo). A horseracing adventure, set in 1890, stars Viggo Mortensen as a half-breed Pony Express courier who travels to Saudia Arabia to ride his half-breed mustang in a grueling 3,000 mile race against the best pedigreed stallions in the world.

Jersey Girl (PG-13 for profanity and sexual content). Kevin Smith's bittersweet dramedy about the ill-fated, whirlwind romance of a workaholic music promoter (Ben Affleck) and a N.Y.C. book editor (Liv Tyler).

The Lodykillers (R for profanity and sexual references). Coen Bros. remake of the 1955 crime comedy stars Tom Hanks as a professor-turned-gang leader who decides to try to rubout his landlady after she gets wind of his plans to rob a New Orleans riverboat casino.

Monseiur Ibrahim (R for sexual content). Adapted from the historical novel by Eric-Emmanuel Schmitt, this morality play, set in Paris in the 1960s, revolves around the heartwarming relationship between an elderly Arab deli owner and a 13-year old Jewish kid called Momo. In French with subtitles.

Never Die Alone (R for graphic violence, drug use, sex, and expletives). Crime thriller adapted from the Donald Goines pulp novel of the same name, about the rise and fall of a drug kingpin. With Aisha Tyler and David Arquette.

The Passion of the Christ (R for graphic violence). Dramatic re-enactment of the last 12 hours in the life of Christ, starring Jim Caviezel as Jesus, Monica Belucci as Mary Magdalene, and Rosalinda Celentano as the Devil incarnate.

The Prince and Me (PG for some sex-related references and mild epithets). Cinderalla style fairy tale starring Julia Stiles as a motorcycle-riding, pre-med student who falls in love with a rebellious classmate (Luke Mably), unaware that he's actually the Prince of Denmark. With Miranda Richardson as the Queen Mother.

Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG for scary sequences and rude humor). Another live action-animated mix adaptation of the TV cartoon series with Freddie Prinze, Jr. and Sarah Michelle Gellar reprising their roles as Fred and Daphne, respectively. The Great Dane detective and crew tackle the case of the anonymous masked crook who is trying to take over the city of Coolsville with a monster making machine.

Secret Window (PG-13 for violence, terror, sex content, and expletives). Johnny Depp stars in this adaptation of a Stephen King horror story about a writer being stalked by a stranger (John Turturro) who is accusing him of plagiarism. With Charles Dutton and Timothy Hutton.

Spartan (R for profanity and violence). David Mamet directs this espionage thriller about a secret agent (Val Kilmer) assigned to find the President's kidnapped daughter (Kristen Bell) who traces the roots of the plot back to the White House. Co-stars William H. Macy, Derek Luke, and Tia Tejada.

Starsky & Hutch (PG-13 for drug use, profanity, violence, nudity, and sexual situations). Perennial buddies Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson make their sixth film together, a tongue-in-cheek, retro adaptation of the popular TV show which enjoyed a five-year run from 1975-79. Supporting cast includes Snoop Dogg, Vince Vaughn, Juliette Lewis, Carmen Electra, and Amy Smart.

Taking Lives (R for sex, violence, disturbing images, and profane language). Angelina Jolie stars in this adaptation of the 1999 Michael Pye novel about an FBI profiler sent to Canada to track down the slippery serial killer who assumes the identity of his victims. With Ethan Hawke, Gena Rowlands, and Kiefer Sutherland.

Twisted (R for violence, language, and sexuality). Crime thriller about a cop (Ashley Judd) who becomes the subject of a murder investigation when all of a serial killer's victims turn out to be her ex-boyfriends. With Samuel L. Jackson and Andy Garcia.

Walking Tall (PG-13 for sex, intense violence, drug use, and profanity). Remake of the 1973 film based on the real-life exploits of Tennessee Sheriff Buford Pusser. New and improved version casts The Rock as a cop cleaning up a remote town in rural Washington with a 4 foot-long 4-by-4.

—Kam Williams

Current Cinema

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Goodbye Lenin (R): Fri., 4:30, 7, 9:30; Sat.-Sun., 1:30, 4, 7, 9:30; Mon.-Thrs., 6:45, 9:15

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Jersey Girl (PG-13): Fri., 5:30, 7:45, 10; Sat., 1, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10; Sun.-Thrs., 1, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45
Hellboy (PG-13): Fri., 5, 7:30, 10; Sat., 12, 2:30, 5, 7:30, 10; Sun.-Thrs., 12, 2:30, 5, 7:30
Starsky & Hutch (PG-13): Fri., 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sat., 12:45, 3, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thrs., 12:45, 3, 5:15, 7:30
Home on the Range (PG): Fri., 5:50, 7:40, 9:30; Sat., 12:20, 2:10, 4, 5:50, 7:40, 9:30; Sun.-Thrs., 12:20, 2:10, 4, 5:50, 7:40
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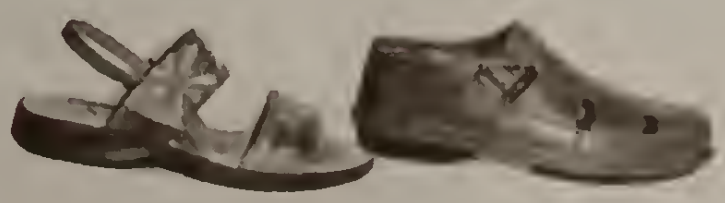

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WINNING MOVES: Princeton Charter School's Chess Team placed first at the New Jersey Junior High School Championships earlier this month and fourth at the state Elementary Championships in February. Many team members also received individual trophies, including (back row, from left), Vlad Ungureanu, with second place individual finish; Maria Taranova, with sixth place individual finish; and Rafi Witten, with first place individual finish. Members of the elementary school team (front row, from left) included Sandra Taranova, Allen Bryant and Jordan Roth.

CLUBS

The **Princeton Macintosh Users Group** (PMUG) will meet on Tuesday, April 13, at 7 p.m. at Princeton University's Jadwin Physics building for an introduction to QuickTime technology and compression technologies. The speaker will be Nick Floro, president of Sealworks, Inc., an interactive developer of digital solutions for delivery on the web, CD and digital devices.

PMUG is a club for Macintosh computer enthusiasts of all ages. Members share their interests, talents, and skills in the Macintosh environment so that others may benefit. Meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information and directions, visit www.pmug-nj.org.

The **Women's College Club of Princeton** will hold its annual scholarship benefit luncheon on Monday, May 3, at the Present Day Club, 72 Stockton Street, starting at 11:30 a.m. The day's activities will include bridge and other games as well as a silent auction and white elephant sale. Lunch will be served at noon.

The cost is $35 per person and admission is open to the public. For reservations call (609) 737-0912.

To arrange for duplicate bridge, call (609) 333-0858. To donate silent auction items call (609) 924-2598.

The next meeting of the **Astrological Society of Princeton** will be held at Educational Testing Service's Conant Hall on Sunday, April 4 at 2:30 p.m. Robert Hand, an astrologer and author, will discuss the career of John Dee, an Elizabethan intellectual, mathematician, astrologer, and alchemist.

Members and guests are asked to use the building's rear entrance, at the intersection of Rosedale and Carter Roads.

The public is welcome. A donation is requested at the door. For information, call (609) 924-4311.

Among Friends, a social organization of single adults 45 and older, meets on the first Friday of each month from 8 to 10 p.m. at the Princeton Unitarian Church, 50 Cherry Hill Road, for an evening of music, dinner, and conversation. The next meeting will be April 2.

Admission is $10, and reservations are required. For information, call (609) 915-4788.

The Princeton Area Chapter of **Mothers & More** will meet on Thursday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Sam Bajwa, an interior designer with Ethan Allen who specializes in creating children's rooms.

For information or directions to the meeting, call Jacquie Pillsbury at (609) 844-0748.

Mothers & More is an international not-for-profit organization supporting mothers who have altered their career paths in order to care for their children at home. The Princeton chapter holds regular meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month. It also hosts Mom & Tot outings, playgroups, Mom's night out events, family events, and a book club.

Princeton Singles has scheduled six events in early April.

Hour-long canal walks, followed by lunch, are scheduled for Saturday, April 3 and Saturday, April 17. Participants will meet in the parking lot at the Winepress Restaurant in Kingston at 10 a.m. For reservations, call (609) 896-1170.

On Sunday, April 4, club members and guests will meet at Amalfi's Restaurant in Lawrenceville for a Palm Sunday brunch at noon. Admission will be the cost of the meal. For reservations, call (609) 631-0933.

On Saturday, April 10, club members and guests will meet at Tara Greens in Somerset at 10 a.m. for a morning of golf pitching and putting with lunch to follow at a local restaurant. For information call (732) 828-1358.

The club will host a breakfast meeting on Friday, April 16 at 9 a.m. at Friendly's Restaurant on Route 206 in Montgomery. Admission is the cost of the meal. For reservations, call (732) 251-3142.

The club will also attend *Crazy for You* at the Kelsey Theatre on Sunday, April 18 at 2 p.m. For reservations, call (609) 586-6038.

The Princeton Singles is a non-profit organization of adults 55 and older.

The **Princeton Elks Lodge** will host a charity ball on April 17. A cocktail hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. and dancing to the music of Jade. Tickets are $40 and may be reserved by calling Anne at (609) 924-0107 or Darlis at (609) 466-0541. "Light The Torch" will be the ball's theme, with proceeds going to the Lodge's handicapped children's fund.

The Elks will also hold an arts and crafts day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 25. Floor space is available at $35. For information, call John at (609) 924-5897.

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Princeton Men's Lacrosse Squanders Early Edge As No. 3 Syracuse Explodes for 14-12 Victory

The Princeton University men's lacrosse team clicked on all cylinders last Saturday as it jumped out to a 7-2 second period lead over powerful Syracuse.

Offensively, the Tigers displayed their trademark deliberate and opportunistic approach while their defense stymied the high-powered Orangemen with goalie Dave Law making some sensational saves.

But befitting the intense nature of the rivalry pitting the programs that have won 13 of the last 16 NCAA titles, Syracuse wasn't about to fold. The Orangemen scored two late second period goals to narrow the Princeton edge to 7-4 at the half.

Gaining control of the tempo in the second half, Syracuse's offense turned into a tidal wave as it outscored the Tigers 10-5 over the last 30 minutes of the contest to earn a 14-12 win before a record crowd of 6,186 that was jamming the Class of 1952 Stadium.

Afterward, Princeton defender Ricky Schultz wasn't quite sure what to make of the orange truck that hit the Tigers. "I don't really know what happened," said the 6'2, 215-pound senior from Timonium, Md.

"We made a lot of mental mistakes on defense. We had some guys not sliding, we had guys not playing good one-on-one defense. The thing about them is that they're such a high-powered team offensively."

Schultz acknowledged that the Orangemen's high-octane approach wore down the Tigers as the game unfolded. "Syracuse goes on a lot of runs," explained Schultz, one of three Tigers remaining on the roster who played in Princeton's 2001 championship game win over Syracuse.

SLOW BOYLE: Princeton senior star Ryan Boyle gets slowed by Syracuse defender John Wright last Saturday as Princeton fell 14-12 to the Orangemen. Boyle, who scored three goals and had three assists in the loss to Syracuse, now has 129 career assists, just four short of tying Jon Hess for second all-time in Princeton history. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

ORANGE CRUSH: Princeton senior defender Ricky Schultz battles a Syracuse player in the Tigers' 14-12 loss to the Orangemen last Saturday before a record crowd of 6,186 at Class of 1952 Stadium. The Tigers, now 3-2, will look to get their Ivy League campaign off on the right foot when they host Yale on April 3. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

"You hope you can fend off those runs. We didn't and they just kept on going. I was certainly tired by the end. It was a hard-fought game."

Princeton head coach Bill Tierney, for his part, knew that Princeton's quick start didn't guarantee anything against No. 3 Syracuse. "I thought we had a little fool's gold in the first half," said Tierney whose fifth-ranked club dropped to 3-2 with the setback.

"Dave [Law] made some beautiful saves. He was able to keep us in it. But this is Syracuse and they are going to get their shots."

Tierney maintained that Princeton's weakness on faceoffs proved to be its Achilles heel. "The faceoffs are bad," admitted Tierney, who got three goals and three assists from Ryan Boyle and a hat trick from Jason Doneger.

"We knew that it was going to tell the tale. I think that we won 8-of-29 faceoffs. You're not going to win any lacrosse game with that, much less a game against a team like Syracuse."

While Tierney was not happy with Saturday's result, he had no qualms with his team's effort. "You hope they learn that if they play this hard the rest of the season, we're going to be in pretty good shape," said Tierney, whose club opens Ivy League play when it hosts Yale on April 3. "We asked them to go out there today and play their hearts out and they did. We just weren't good enough. The question is now can we re-do that against a team that is not Syracuse."

Schultz and the team's veterans are determined to answer that question in the affirmative. "I feel I didn't step up my game enough today," said Schultz, who is primed to help the team get off on the right foot in its bid to win its 12th Ivy crown in the last 13 seasons.

"All the seniors, all the older guys should take responsibility for that. We have to put this team on our shoulders next week and continue on in the Ivy League. Yale is a darn good team and we can't get complacent. We have to be strong and stay intense."

—Bill Alden

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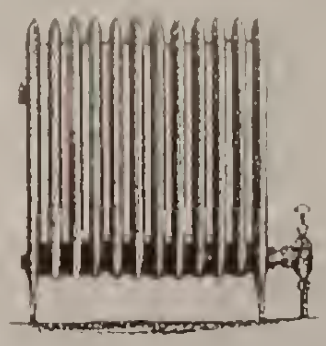

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Princeton Softball Seeks Consistency With Ivy Play Starting This Saturday

For the Princeton University softball team, its performance in splitting a doubleheader with visiting Boston University last Saturday served as a microcosm of the Tigers' uneven play in the early going this spring.

In the opener against the Terriers, Princeton got a sparkling three-hit pitching effort from Melissa Finley and errorless defense but couldn't capitalize at the plate as it left seven runners on base in falling 1-0.

The Tigers exploded for seven runs in the first two innings of the nightcap but had to weather some spotty pitching to hold on for a 7-5 win.

"I think we need to put it all together," said Princeton head coach Maureen Barron, whose club moved to 9-10 on the season with the split against Boston University. "Some games we play well defensively but don't hit. Other games we hit but then we don't pitch well. It's a never-ending process."

Early in the season, the Tigers appeared to take several key steps forward as they beat such major programs as Arizona State, Fresno State, Cal State Fullerton, and Pacific in tournaments played in Georgia and California. "We didn't completely shock ourselves with those wins," said Barron. "I know we have talent. Knocking off some ranked teams gave us a taste of what we can do."

One aspect of Princeton's play that has prevented it from developing consistency is its anemic offense which has seen the team's batting average hover around .200 for most of the season.

"We're not seeing a whole lot of production from the middle of our lineup," acknowledged Barron, whose trio of Finley, Kristen Del Calvo, and Ty Ries have accounted for just four homers between them. "We're not swinging at the right pitch. We need to make some adjustments."

The Tigers have kept their head above water due to the pitching of Erin Snyder and Finley, who both have ERAs under 2.50.

Coming off back-to-back Ivy League titles, Barron is confident that the team can find a rhythm as it heads into league play when it plays a doubleheader at Penn on April 3.

"I hope everything will come together at the right time," said Barron, whose club will host Temple on March 31 in a tune-up before the twinbill with the Quakers. "I'm sure we'll be pumped up when we play Penn."

—Bill Alden

STRAIGHT SHOOTER: Princeton junior pitcher Melissa Finley uncorks a pitch in the Tigers' 1-0 loss to Boston University in game one of a doubleheader between the teams last Saturday. Princeton won the nightcap 7-5 to move to 9-10 on the season. The Tigers host Tempie on March 31 before starting fvy League play on April 3 with a doubleheader at Penn. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

SWEET 16: Princeton freshman midfielder Kathleen Miller fights past the Columbia defense last Wednesday in the Tigers' 17-6 win over the Lions. Last Friday, top-ranked Princeton edged second-ranked Georgetown 9-7 to improve to 7-0 on the season and win its 16th straight game stretching back to last season. Miller, the fourth-leading scorer for Princeton with 19 points, will look to help the Tigers remain undefeated as they host Delaware on March 30 and Cornell on April 3. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

Princeton Baseball at 11-7 After Set With Stony Brook

The Princeton University baseball team split a doubleheader at Stony Brook last Sunday to move to 11-7 for the season.

The Tigers fell 2-1 in the opener Sunday but then roared back to take a 4-1 decision in the nightcap. Junior outfielder B.J. Szymanski went 3-for-4 with a run and an RBI to help lead the Tigers to victory in game two of the twin bill.

In upcoming action, Princeton, which started last weekend by sweeping Stony Brook in a doubleheader played on Saturday, will play at Rutgers on April 1 and then host doubleheaders against Dartmouth on April 3 and Harvard on April 4.

Tiger Women's Water Polo Excels at Inter-Regional

Jazmin Brown had a big day last Sunday as the Princeton University women's water polo team topped Villanova and George Washington to go 4-0 at the Inter-Regional competition held last weekend at DeNunzio Pool.

Brown had five goals in the Tigers' 14-8 win over Villanova and then added another to help Princeton edge GW 7-6. Earlier in the weekend, the Tigers had beaten Maryland 12-1 and Bucknell 11-8.

Princeton, now 16-6, is next in action when it competes in the ECAC championships at Brown on April 3-4.

Princeton Fencing Takes 7th at NCAAs

The Princeton University fencing team placed seventh at the 2004 NCAA Men's and Women's Fencing Championships held at Brandeis last weekend.

The Tiger men maintained the seventh place spot set by the women earlier in the competition. Individual standouts for the men's squad included Eric Stodola, Alejandro Bras, and Benjamin Solomon while Jacqueline Leahy, Mina Morova, and Erin McGarry starred for the women.

Princeton Golf Teams Post Solid Weekend

The Princeton men's golf team took second at the GW Invitational last weekend in Issue, Md. while the women's squad placed third at the William & Mary Invitational at Willlamsburg, Va.

The Tiger men shot a 599 to finish three shots behind host George Washington in the 24-team event. Princeton's top individual performers were Jason Gerken who shot a 148, John Locke with a 149 and John Sawin at 150.

The Princeton women shot a 611 in finishing behind champion James Madison and Yale in the William & Mary event. The Tigers were led by the trio of Avery Kiser, Sharla Cloutier, and Meg Nakamura, who each shot 154.

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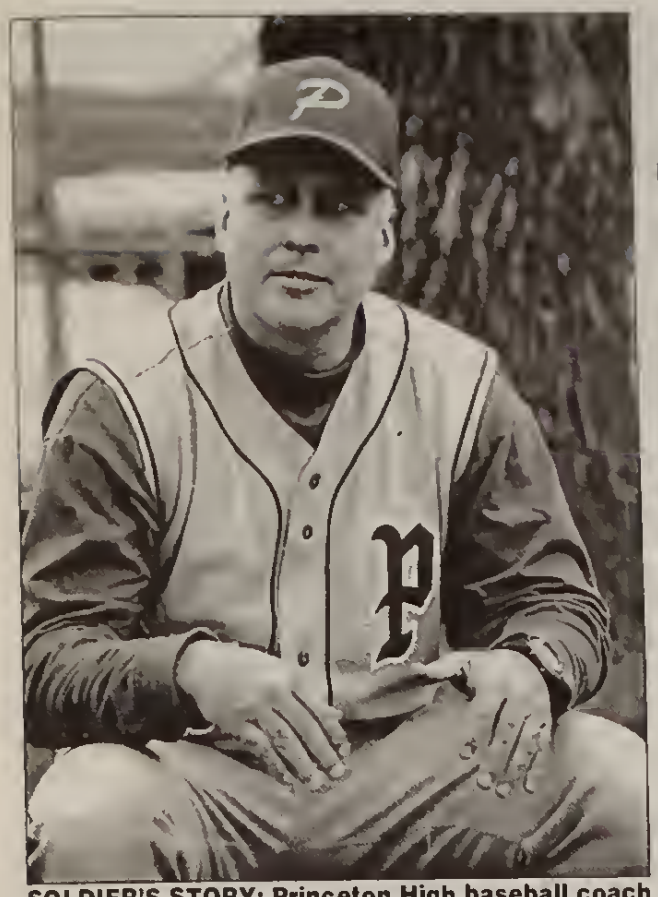
Miranda Back at Helm of PHS Baseball With Perspective Gained From Iraq War



SOLDIER'S STORY: Princeton High baseball coach John Miranda surveys the action at a scrimmage last week. Miranda, who coached PHS from 1996-2001, is returning to the team after a two-year absence to serve with the Marine reserves in the War in Iraq. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

It's hard to imagine that any local high school coach is happier to be on the field this spring than Princeton High baseball coach John Miranda.

After coaching PHS six seasons through 2001, Miranda, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Marine Reserves, was activated for military duty in February 2002, being stationed at Camp Lejuene before getting sent to Kuwait in November 2002.

He later was dispatched to Iraq and was in Baghdad shortly after it fell. Miranda, a PHS business teacher, returned to the U.S. last August.

Miranda acknowledges that he is a changed man as he returns to the diamond this spring. "It was intense," said Miranda in a recent interview as he reflected on his military stint. "Once you see and experience war, it changes you. It was quite an experience."

Miranda said his unit was one of the first groups in Iraq and that one of his most vivid memories of the experience was being in the square in Baghdad right after the statue of Saddam was knocked down by Iraqi citizens.

He acknowledges that his wartime memories occasionally flood back to his mind. "It hits you at the strangest times," explained Miranda, who led PHS to the Mercer County semifinals in 2000 and to the state tournament in 2001. "Both the good stuff and the bad stuff."

Despite the changes resulting from having taken part in the war in Iraq, Miranda says he won't adjust his approach to managing, noting that he views coaching baseball as an entirely separate pursuit from his military experience.

Miranda, though, did acknowledge that he should be able to handle the ups and downs of the upcoming season with a new equanimity. "It definitely puts things in perspective," said Miranda, joking that a loss to a heated rival like WW/P-S may not seem so dire as it had in the past. "It's been fun to be back on the field. I'm really enjoying myself. It's a pleasure."

And with what Miranda has been through the last two years, PHS is certainly enjoying having him back on the scene.

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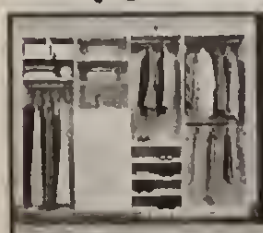

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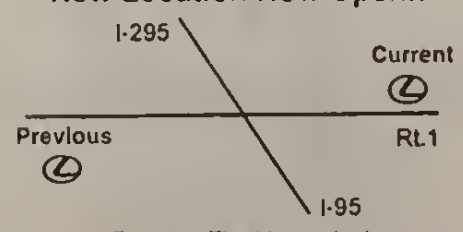

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PHS Baseball Focusing on Basics As It Looks for Improvement

As John Miranda looks to help the Princeton High baseball rebound from last spring's disappointing two-win season, he is sticking to the basics.

"Every coach has things that he emphasizes," said Miranda, who is back for his seventh year coaching at PHS after taking a two-year hiatus during which he was activated for military duty in the war in Iraq.

"For me pitching is important and I put a lot of emphasis on defense. We are doing a lot of drills to make sure the team is sound defensively. It's a matter of getting them to be solid fundamentally."

Miranda believes he has the talent to carry out that blueprint. "The strength of the team is our four pitchers," said Miranda, referring to seniors Kevin Peterson and Zack Stern and juniors Jake Horan and Jon Lauri. "They are solid and experienced."

Elsewhere on the diamond, Miranda expects senior Alex Draine and junior Paul Estrada to share the duties at catcher with Stern, Horan, and junior Paul D'Eramo splitting time at first base, Adon Williams and Alex Lowenstein playing second, Mykel Kulkami handling shortstop duties, and Lauri and junior Vinny Giacalone seeing time at third.

In the outfield, the Little Tigers will feature the fleet junior Robby Begin in center, senior Doug Austin in left, with Peterson, senior Evan Merrill and juniors Zack Juffe and Jamie Marino are also likely to spend some time chasing down flies.

Offensively, Miranda is looking for Begin to be the Little Tigers' catalyst. "Robby is the fastest baseball player in the county and maybe the state," maintained Miranda, who guided PHS to the 2001 state tournament. "People will have to deal with his speed."

Another key tablesetter will be Austin. "Doug is a good line drive hitter," added Miranda, whose team opens its season by playing at Lawrence on April 1. "He's a good lead-off man." Miranda expects Williams and Stern to provide some punch in the middle of the lineup.

Based on the club's play in the preseason, Miranda is cautiously optimistic. "We'll show some improvement," maintained Miranda, who noted that he has had such a good turnout that the program will be able to field a freshman team this year. "We have a lot of good players."

—Bill Alden

INFIELD DRILL: Princeton High second baseman Adon Williams, middle, waits for a throw as a Northern Burlington runner steals second in a scrimmage last week. Williams and the Little Tigers open their 2004 campaign when they play at Lawrence on April 1. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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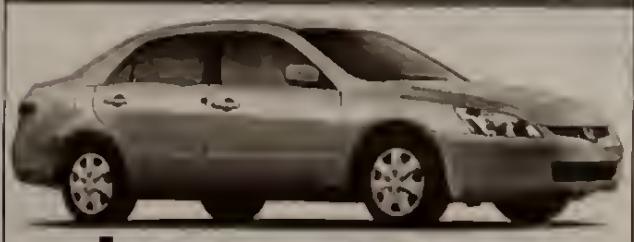

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PHS Boys' Lacrosse Counts on Balance To Overcome Heavy Graduation Losses

There is no doubt that the Princeton High boys' lacrosse team comes into this spring having suffered heavy graduation losses.

The Little Tigers, who went 13-5 in 2003 and won their fifth straight Bianchi Division crown, were led by a group of 13 senior stalwarts.

PHS' Class of 2003 featured All-American goalie Chris Lalli, Bennett Murphy, who graduated as the program's all-time goal scoring leader, together with speedy and productive midfielder James Kadar and tenacious defender Alex Hobson.

While PHS head coach Peter Stanton knows he can't make up for the void left by this stellar class, he is confident that the cupboard isn't bare.

"We don't have one guy who is going to really pick up the slack," said Stanton, whose team has moved up to the Pitt Division which will ensure a bid to the state tournament but also a tougher regular season ride. "We won't rely on one guy, we'll have balance."

The ninth-year head coach believes that the players who have formed the supporting cast in the past are ready to step into leading roles.

Up front, PHS will be relying on seniors Travis Roe-Raymond, the team's leading returning scorer with 14 goals and eight assists and Adam Maynard (six goals in 2003) to find the back of the net often this spring.

"The two seniors on attack are providing leadership," asserted Stanton, who added that senior Aaron Goldblatt, sophomore David Giancola, and freshman Tommy Hearne should also see action in attack for the Little Tigers.

In the midfield, PHS will be looking for two other seniors, David Mostoller (eight goals, five assists in 2003) and Luke Hammond (two goals, two assists) to trigger things.

Others who figure to play a prominent role in the PHS midfield include senior Mike Freedman, juniors Mike Moseley, Mike Vleten, and Efrain Barrientos together with sophomore Karl Fries and freshman Tyler Moni.

The Little Tigers' defensive set-up will feature seniors Mike Brennan and Skip Sweener, sophomore Taylor Vickers-Annis and freshman Casey Rahn. Playing at longstick midfield will be senior Ben DeRuosi and freshman Jesse Mostoller.

Stanton likes what he sees along his back line. "Mike Brennan is a leader," maintained Stanton. "Sweener has worked hard in coming back to the program. Rahn is just one of those kids who is an amazing natural athlete."

The coach also has confidence in sophomore goalie Sam Finnell's ability to fill the large shoes of Lalli. "Sam is a good replacement for Chris," said Stanton, who may also use senior David Smaus at goalie. "He's a tough kid with ability."

Stanton is looking for this year's seniors to help the team through the growing pains he knows it will experience.

"We have a lot of learning to do," said Stanton, whose club opens the season by hosting archrival WW/P-S on April 1.

"Travis, David, Luke, and Mike have been good complementary players on good teams. We're telling them that it's your time. It will take us a little time to trust each other and for the pieces to fit together."

If this year's seniors can follow in the footsteps of the Class of 2003, they will earn quite a bit of trust from their teammates.

—Bill Alden

STICK CONTROL: Princeton High senior attacker Louise Finnell, left, battles for position in a recent practice session. Finnell should be a top scoring threat for the Little Tigers who are slated to open their 2004 season by playing at the Peddie School on April 1. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

STEPPING UP: Princeton High senior midfielder Luke Hammond sprints up the field in a recent practice session. Hammond is expected to step into a leading role this spring for the Little Tigers who get their 2004 season underway when they host WW/P-S on April 1. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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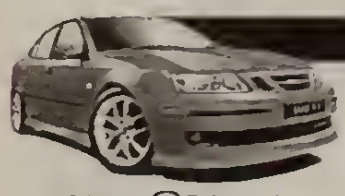

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Woody Aims to Keep Things Rolling For PHS Boys' Tennis Juggernaut

Stuart Woody knows he is stepping into a good situation as he takes the helm of the Princeton High boys' tennis program.

Taking over for David Black, now an assistant coach at the Hun School, Woody inherits a juggernaut that went 23-3 in 2003 as it won the Mercer County Championship, the Central Jersey Group III title, and took second in the state Group III championships.

"I've been following this program for years and I knew that someone would be lucky to get a chance to coach the team," said Woody, a four-year tennis pro from Virginia who moved to the Princeton area in 1996. "It's a great opportunity. If I do my job, I have the chance to create a little dynasty. It's hard to be in a better position as a coach."

Woody's greatest inherited asset is first singles player Ilia Shatashvili, who has won three straight MCT individual titles.

"Ilia is going to be the cornerstone of this team, " said Woody. "We know he will show up everyday and play his best. He plays the big guns and the little guns the same way. He's out to win whenever he plays."

Another key performer for PHS will be junior Chris Hoeland, who is moving up to second singles after winning the MCT title at third singles the last two seasons. "We just need to get Chris to relax and play his game," said Woody. "He's had two years as a rock at third singles."

Woody admits that third singles will be the team's "X-factor," noting that "matches can be won and lost right there." He is planning to start senior David Westerberg in that spot, acknowledging that other players may get a chance at that slot as the season unfolds.

PHS looks strong at first doubles with a likely top duo of seniors Nate Abraham and Brent Willig. "Our No. 1 doubles team will be a cog," asserted Woody, whose team gets into regular season action with home matches against Lawrence on April 1 and Cherry Hill-East on April 2 before playing at Moorestown on April 3. "Nate and Brent are a team that could contend for a state title in doubles."

The second doubles team appears likely to be a work in progress. "Our second doubles is going to change over the course of the season," added Woody, who sees juniors Graham MacDonald, Byron Ling, Miheer Mhatre, and David Chen and freshmen Aaron Maltby and Andrew Bergman vying for court time.

Woody is determined to push his talented players to get the most out of their considerable potential. "I know they can play tennis, the challenge is to awaken their expectations," said Woody, who credits his high school coach with making an indelible impact on both his tennis game and his competitive approach off the court.

"I want them to wonder is 'he trying to get us to go somewhere we haven't been.' They can't be afraid to fail. They have to learn to compete and give their best. I don't want them to feel that they gave 90 percent and wonder what they could've achieved."

—Bill Alden

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Hun Baseball Loaded With Talent As It Looks to Regain Prep A Title

Over the last two seasons, the Hun School baseball team has put a lot on the shoulders of ace pitcher Steve Garrison.

The gifted lefty has risen to the occasion, posting a 12-2 career mark in leading the Raiders to the state Prep A title in 2002 as a freshman and then winning the lion's share of games last spring as Hun went 8-9.

This spring, longtime Hun coach Bill McQuade believes he has the talent to take a little heat off the fireballing Garrison.

"All the veteran kids are bigger and stronger," said McQuade, the dean of baseball coaches as he enters his 34th year at the helm of the Hun program. "The new kids are good hitters, better than we've had in the past."

Still, McQuade acknowledges that junior Garrison is the linchpin as Hun looks to regain the State A title. "Nothing fazes Stevie," said McQuade, noting that Garrison is a man among boys on the high school level with his velocity, assortment of pitches, and pinpoint control.

McQuade is expecting big things from the staff's two other southpaws, junior Gene Pavitt and freshman Sean Munley. "Gene is pitching much better this year," asserted McQuade, noting that Pavitt's mound work was a bright spot of Hun's 3-1 record on its annual preseason trip to Florida.

"Last year, he had a sore arm and had problems with his control. He threw really hard in Florida. If he throws the way he can, he should have a big year. Munley has a lot of poise. He reminds me of Stevie, nothing bothers him."

Hun should also get some innings this spring from seniors Eli Obus and Mike Eulo and junior Jon D'Angelo.

The Raiders also boast depth at catcher with senior co-captain Tom Monfiletto and sophomore Brian Scanlon, a sophomore transfer from Rutgers Prep. "Tom is an excellent catcher but I think he'll play some at third because of Scanlon," explained McQuade. "Brian bats lefty and is excellent defensively."

McQuade is confident his infield will be better this year with a year of experience under its belt. He plans to play Pavitt at first base, senior co-captain Mark Kvarta at second base, senior co-captain Matt Stillitano at shortstop, and Monfiletto and junior Wellington Talkpa at third.

In the outfield, Hun will feature senior co-captain Jack Martin together with classmates James DiVicenzi and Will Barrett as well as Garrison and Talkpa and promising freshman Shane Davis.

Offensively, McQuade hopes that this year's line-up won't be prone to the dry spells that hurt the Raiders last spring. "If we're going to do well offensively, Wellington is going to have to have a big year," maintained McQuade, who is expecting punch from Garrison, Monfiletto, Pavitt, and Stillitano.

"He experiments a lot with his swing. We're trying to get him to settle on one stance. Shane Davis has good power, he hit the ball well in Florida. He will find his way into the lineup. He's a player."

As he looks at his squad, McQuade believes he has players all over the field. "I can't wait for the season to start," declared McQuade, who noted that his team will be tested early as it plays at Peddie School on March 31 before hosting Lawrenceville School on April 2. "This team has a great feeling about it. Everyone is picking everyone else up. There is competition at every position."

—Bill Alden

CAPTAIN JACK: Hun senior centerfielder Jack Martin gets ready to step into the batter's box last Friday at practice. Martin, one of Hun's four co-captains, will be expected to provide leadership as the Raiders look to improve on the 8-9 record they posted in 2003. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

ARMED FORCE: Hun School star lefthander Steve Garrison fires a pitch in a recent practice session. Garrison, a junior who comes into the season with a 12-2 career record at Hun, will be a key figure as the Raiders look to regain the Prep A title they won in 2002. Hun opens its 2004 campaign when it plays at the Peddie School on March 31 before hosting Lawrenceville School on April 2. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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Displaying New Attitude, Focus, Hun Girls' Lax Looks to Rebound

NEW DIRECTION: Hun School girls' lacrosse coach Lauren Provenzano, left, calls out instructions at practice last Friday as junior attacker Biz Fries looks on. Provenzano and her charges will be looking to improve on last year's 2-10 record as they play their home opener against Peddie School on March 31 before hosting Ewing on April 3. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

Lauren Provenzano believes that her Hun School girls' lacrosse team has put last year's frustrations firmly in the rear view mirror.

With her club looking to rebound from a 2-10 season, the third-year head coach senses that her players are coming into this spring with a new mindset.

"I think that there is a real nice team dynamic that I haven't seen since I've been here," asserted Provenzano. "I think they are just excited to get out there. With all the practices we've been doing, I've seen such a turnaround from last year. It's like a different team."

Tactically, Provenzano plans to tweak things a bit to help make her club more productive in 2004. "I think we've just been focusing on our fundamentals and our transition," explained Provenzano. "I'm trying to change the attack and how we work the transition. I think that's what we needed to do last year."

The Raiders have the talent up front to be dangerous. Junior Biz Fries, who scored 51 goals last season, should be a major force. Also being featured up front will be junior newcomer Ashley Wycoff together with senior Tarah Kirnan and her younger sister, sophomore Katie Kirnan.

Others who figure in the mix on the offensive side include senior Ariana Pratico, juniors Molly McQuade and Arianne Berger, sophomores Kelly Russo and Melissa Hedberg, and freshman Claire Halladay.

While Provenzano is depending on some big numbers from Fries, she expects the Raiders to feature a balanced attack.

"I don't want to set one person as the focus of the attack," said Provenzano. "I think that Tarah and Katie Kirnan, Ashley, and Biz will all be big contributors for the attack. I feel really strong about my midfield."

As for the defense, Provenzano sees junior newcomer Gwin Birnkrant and sophomores Mary Stinson and Kate Rutkowksi as the likely anchors of her back line. Junior Teresa Grzeczkowicz will handle the goaltending duties.

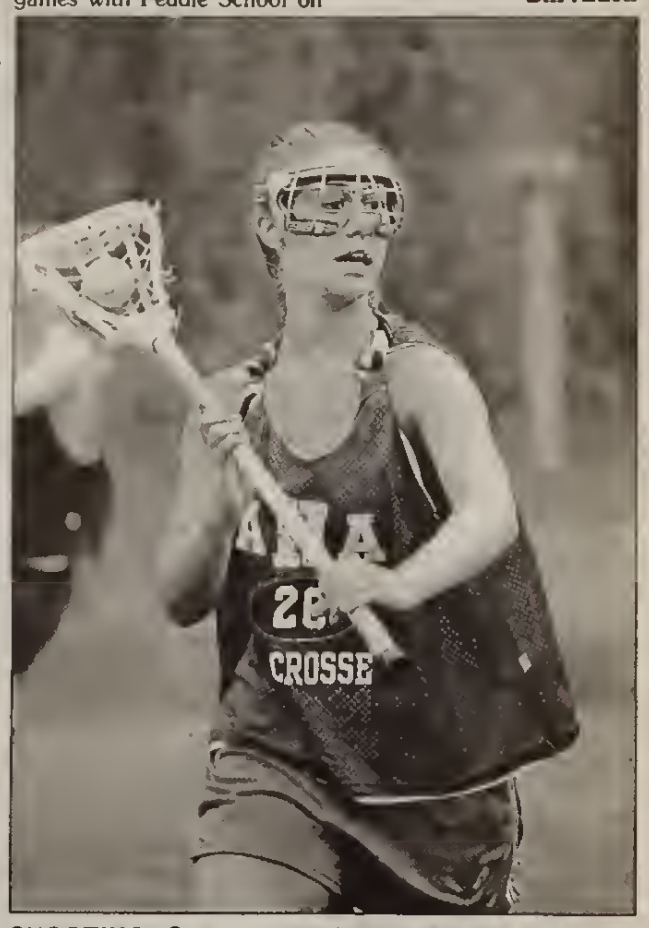
"They're all pretty good in terms of communicating," said Provenzano, referring to her defensive set-up which should also include juniors Alexa Mirante, Becky King, and Ali Damico.

"The big thing I want for us is to be competitive this year," said Provenzano, whose club started the season last Monday by losing to Hill 13-7 despite strong performances from Fries and Tarah Kirnan, who each scored three goals and had two assists.

As Provenzano looks forward to her team's home games with Peddie School on March 31 and Ewing on April 3, she has high hopes.

"I'm looking forward to seeing how they do," added Provenzano. "I do feel that there is an overall sense of what they want to do this year and that they are ready to start right away. I think we are ready to win and focus on what we can do to succeed."

—Bill Alden



SHOOTING STAR: Hun junior attacker Ashley Wycoff prepares to fire the ball in a practice session last week. Wycoff, a newcomer to the Hun girls' lacrosse program, is expected to help spark the Raiders' attack. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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Led by Quartet of Senior Stars, Hun Boys' Tennis Is Aiming High

The targets are the same every year for the Hun School boys' tennis team.

Each spring, the Raiders shoot to win the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL), the Mercer County championship, and the state Prep A title.

While Hun fell short of those lofty goals in 2003 despite going 14-3, coach Chris Kingston thinks the program is on the verge of a breakthrough.

"We've come a little closer each year to our goals, but we just haven't been able to do it," said Kingston, who is in his third year coaching the Raiders' tennis program. "We're coming off a good year."

With a squad led by four battle-hardened seniors — Scott Wong, Hanca Gonca, Andrew Maisel, and Andrew Tervooren — Hun may just have the blend of talent and experience to get over the hump.

"The senior class is a very strong class," maintained Kingston. "They all get along very well."

The seniors bring more than camaraderie to the table. "Wong and Ganca will be at singles, they both look strong," added Kingston. "Andrew Tervooren is probably our most improved player. He will be at singles after having been at doubles."

Kingston will be moving Maisel to doubles from singles and he expects him to make a key contribution. "I'm expecting Andrew to provide leadership," asserted Kingston. "We will have some young guys at doubles and he will need to lead."

Underclassmen in the mix for Hun include juniors Eric Chan, Matt Krieger, and Jeff Rutkowski, sophomores Christian Richardson, Alex Latella and Doug Eshelman, together with freshman Wilder Sampson.

To help his team better prepare for the challenges ahead, Kingston took the squad on a preseason trip to tennis hotbed Southern California.

"We played three matches out there and won them all," said Kingston, whose team starts regular season play by hosting Moorestown High on April 2 and Hill School on April 7.

"We haven't done a trip like that before. We played some good teams and I think it's a good sign for us."

—Bill Alden

CHALK TALK: Hun School boys' lacrosse coach Eric Kemp outlines some strategy in a practice session last Friday. Kemp, who led the Raiders to a 12-5 mark last spring in his debut season at the helm, welcomes back his three leading scorers, Alex Green, Matt Loy, and Joe Campanella as well as star goalie Chris Giordano. The Raiders get their 2004 campaign underway when they play at the Peddie School on March 31 before hosting Lawrenceville School on April 3. *(Photo by Bill Alden/NJ SportAction)*

Hun Softball Has High Expectations Despite Roster Stocked With Youth

Kathy Quirk doesn't believe that inexperience should prevent her Hun School softball team from having a big spring.

"We are going to be young," said Quirk, who has just two seniors returning from a team that went 8-9 last season. "We have a lot of high expectations. Everybody is working really hard."

One of Hun's hardest workers is junior pitching ace Emily Rosenthal. "Emily worked all fall and winter and is the best condition she's been in," said Quirk, who is entering her 28th year at the helm of the Hun softball program.

"She's looking really good. She has a lot of speed on her pitches and good movement. She has a fastball, a drop, a curve, and a change-up. If she can keep everything low, she will be tough to hit."

A key piece in the Hun puzzle will be Rosenthal's batterymate, sophomore catcher Christina Zimmerman, who made a solid debut offensively and defensively last spring as a freshman.

Around the diamond, Hun will feature senior Rebecca Radnor at first base, sophomore Katrina O'Hara at second, promising freshman Alyssa Fares at shortstop, and Kait Kirby at third. Junior Polly Hallett and freshman Sarah Dileo will provide backup in the infield.

In the outfield, the Raiders will use senior Samantha Druker, juniors Jill Fonseca and Georgie Papacostas, sophomore Kristin Klein, and freshmen Lauren Fisher and Fran Morales.

Offensively, Quirk will be relying on Rosenthal and Zimmerman to provide production from the middle of the order. She expects Fonseca and Fares to provide a spark as tablesetters for her big hitters.

Quirk, whose team posted a 5-1 mark on a preseason swing in Florida, won't hesitate to jump start her team's attack.

"I'm big on the basics," said Quirk, whose team opens regular season play by hosting Peddie on March 31 before playing at Rutgers Prep on April 2 and at Hightstown on April 3. "We'll be bunting and moving runners along. We'll play some 'little ball.' "

Quirk believes the team is developing the right chemistry to succeed. "Everybody gets along really well with each other," asserted Quirk. "It's a good group. I'm very optimistic."

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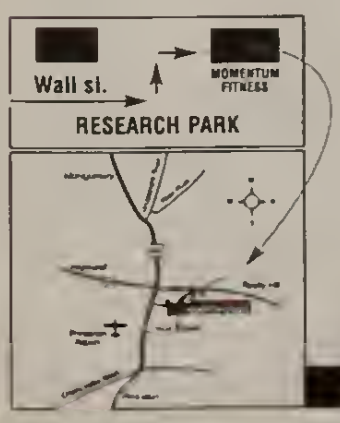

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Stuart Track Seniors on a Mission; Aim to Achieve Prep B Three-Peat

The seniors on the Stuart track team are on a mission this spring.

The quintet of Angela Harrington, Maya Thompson, Brittany Jones, Megan Keese, and Sophie Medina, have played a vital role in leading the Tartans to back-to-back state Prep B titles.

They come into 2004 determined to end their careers on a high note with a third title. "The seniors have been together since sixth grade, they realize this is it," said head coach Tom Harrington, who is in his seventh year guiding the Stuart track program. "They've made up their minds that they want to leave with a state title. The three-peat is our goal."

Harrington's core of veterans brings versatility and talent to go along with their determination.

Harrington, the coach's daughter, will do sprints, long jumping, and will likely throw in the big meets. Thompson is one of the top throwers in Prep B circles, having finished in the top three last spring in the state meet in the shot put, discus, and javelin. Medina is a strong hurdler while Jones will score points in both the hurdles and relays, and Keese will contribute in the throwing events.

In Harrington's view, a three-peat would be a fitting finale for his seniors considering how they have helped put the program on the map. "This group of seniors knows how bad things were when they came," recalled Harrington. "They started a major turnaround in our program."

In addition to the seniors, a key strength of Harrington's program is his contingent of sparkling distance runners featuring juniors Emily Driscoll, Katherine Currie, and Caroline Cancelosi, sophomore Laura Brienza, and freshman Elizabeth Cancelosi.

"From the 800 up, we are going to be solid," maintained Harrington, whose cross country program won its second straight Prep B title this past fall. "My front five from cross country are pretty tough."

Harrington needs that mental toughness as he deals with his annual challenge putting together a formidable unit without having a track on campus.

"Everyday is a creation, it can be impacted by the weather, who's got the gym, and so on," said Harrington, noting that his athletes sometimes get shuttled down to the Delaware and Raritan Canal towpath or Princeton Battlefield park to get in their training. "The kids want to do well and they are willing to adjust."

If the Tartans are to do well this spring and achieve their goals, Harrington's athletes will need to produce a total team effort. "We have headliners in each event," explained Harrington. "We need to build a support staff."

Harrington will be looking for points from such athletes as juniors Meaghan McCarthy in the sprints and long jump, and Kate Clarke in the discus, hurdles, and sprints.

Sophomores who could score for the Tartans include Saskia Van Neuwenhuyse in the distance events, Maria Naskalov in the sprints, Rosyln Elliot in the high jump and sprints, together with Nora Gecan and Sofia Clark in the throwing events.

Harrington is also expecting help from such freshmen as Sarah Goodwin in the throwing events, Taylor Tully in the sprints, Hannah Wilson in the high jump and hurdles, Brittany Kidd in the high jump and sprints, and Claire Henderson in the sprints and hurdles.

Harrington is confident that his supporting cast can help the seniors leave the program with their happy ending.

"We have some kids who have some ability," said Harrington, whose team will start its 2004 campaign by competing in the Mercer Relays on April 3 and traveling to Pennington on April 5. "My challenge is to keep them focused through the early part of the season."

Based on Stuart's glittering recent track record in the Prep B championship meet, the Tartans should be sharp when it counts most.

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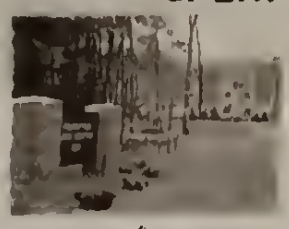
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Are there any sports enthusiasts more insane than European soccer fans? Not if this story is any measure. Martin Warburton was a Manchester United fan in the fall of 2003, when his brother was informed that he was facing death if he did not receive a stem cell transplant. Warburton's brother was a Manchester City supporter. Warburton agreed to be the donor and save his brother's life — but only under the following conditions: that his brother join a Manchester United fan club, that he sign a contract renouncing his support for Manchester City, and that he repaint his house United red.
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X-Cel Swimmers Star At NJ Junior Olympics

The Princeton-based X-Cel swimming club recently competed at the New Jersey Junior Olympics held in late March at Rutgers University. X-Cel sent a total of forty swimmers to the meet who had achieved the necessary qualifying times and who participated in over 200 age group events.

The NJ Junior Olympics marks the culmination of the short course season and this year brought together approximately 1,600 of the best swimmers in the state representing 52 different teams. At the meet, Junior Olympic medals are awarded to the top eight finishers in each individual event.

Medal winners for X-Cel in the girls' division included Laura Poss, 10, who placed 5th in the 50 breaststroke (38.14), 5th in the 100 breast (1:24.61), 5th in the 50 freestyle (29.83), 7th in the 50 butterfly (33.86), and 7th in the 100 free (1:06.65). Jessica Yuan, 14, placed 7th in the 100 breast (1:11.10). Martha Ferguson, 15, placed 8th in the 100 breast (1:09.21). Evelyn Yuen, 16, placed 3rd in the 100 breast (1:06.22), and 6th in the 200 breast (2:26.35). Kate Head, 17, placed 5th in both the 50 free (24.82), and the 100 free (53.90).

In the boys' division, medal winners included Robb Dunne, 11, who placed 5th in the 1650 free (19:52.89), and 8th in the 1000 free (11:49.12). Alex Field, 11, placed 3rd in the 1650 free (19:26.21). Josh Rosenbluth, 16, placed 2nd in the 200 individual medley (1:56.50), 3rd in the 100 backstroke (53.66), 3rd in the 200 back (1:54.96), and 7th in the 100 fly (53.36). Peter Hand, 17, placed 6th in the 100 breast (1:01.91), and 8th in the 200 IM (2.89). Jesse Applegate, 18, placed 2nd in the 50 free (21.42), 2nd in the 100 free (46.99), 2nd in the 200 free (1:42.96), and 5th in the 100 back (54.71).

Princeton Girls Travel Soccer Results

The Princeton Soccer Association's under-12 Princeton Lightning girls' travel team fought a defensive battle with the Cherry Hill Stars last Saturday as the teams played to a 0-0 draw. Grace Rosen earned the shutout in goal for the Lightning. Fallon Winters and Dora Beidler starred on the back line for the Lightning while Amanda Bautista sparkled in the midfield.

In other action, the Princeton Paws U-10 side had a tough match against the Hibernian Hawks on Saturday. Keely Herring was a standout for the Paws in goal, making several great saves while Veronica Nagie and Colleen Baker played hard-nosed defense. Kelsi Smith and Mia Haughton sparked the offense.

Rec Department Offers Floor Hockey

The Princeton Recreation Department is offering a floor hockey program for men and women 18 years and older beginning May 5.

The program will run Wednesday nights at Princeton High's old gym from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. with the last session taking place on June 30.

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BATTLEFIELD EGG HUNT: Children scramble for treats at the annual Battlefield State Park Easter egg hunt, sponsored by the Princeton Knights of Columbus, on Saturday. (Photo by E.J. Greenblat)

Lucille P. Mason of Philadelphia has joined the Princeton HealthCare System as vice president, human resources. In her new capacity she will oversee the needs of PHCS's 2,500 employees at University Medical Center at Princeton, Princeton House Behavioral Health, Merwick Rehab Hospital and Nursing Care, Princeton HomeCare Services, and Princeton Surgical Center. Her responsibilities include planning, organizing and directing all aspects of Princeton HealthCare System's Human Resources Department.

A graduate of Temple University, with a master's degree from Antioch University, Ms. Mason brings 25 years of management and healthcare experience to PHCS. Most recently she served as director of human resources with Main Line Health. Previously she directed human resources activities at Albert Einstein Healthcare Network.

Carol Baron, a Princeton-based interior designer, has opened her company's third branch office on the New Jersey shore. Her other offices are in Princeton and Elkins Park, Pa. As "designer of choice" for the Philadelphia/Ft. Washington Home Show, she has designed rooms for Sen. Arlen Specter, the late Gov. Robert Casey, former Philadelphia Mayor Wilson Goode, and baseball Hall of Famer Mike Schmidt.

Ms. Baron has served as a board member and vice president of the International Interior Design Association and the American Society of Interior Designers.

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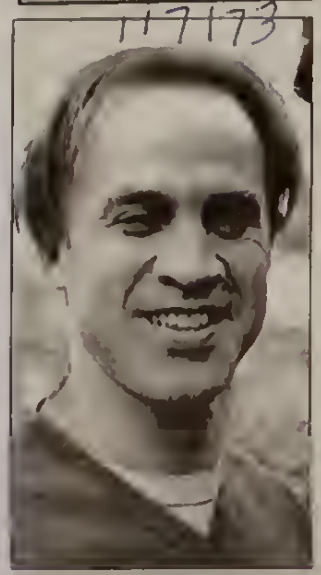

Damon M. Vigiano

Damon M. Vigiano of Princeton has been elected to the board of directors of NAMI Mercer, an affiliate of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill. Mr. Vigiano is a senior investment consultant for Consultiva Internacional, Inc. and previously worked as a portfolio manager with UAS Asset Management, a New York-based investment advisor. NAMI Mercer, based in Lawrenceville, is a non-profit organization committed to supporting and improving the lives of people with mental illness and their families.

Jacquelyn Brooks of Princeton, daughter of Barbara and Jim Brooks, was named to the dean's list at Rider University for the Fall 2003 semester. Ms. Brooks is a junior studying elementary education and American studies.

Victoria Rivera-Cruz, an attorney with experience in administering civil rights laws and resolving employee complaints, has been named Mercer County's new director of personnel, the County Executive's office announced.

Since 2002, Ms. Rivera-Cruz has been with the New Jersey Department of Transportation as director of the division of civil rights and affirmative action. Prior to that, the graduate of Harvard University and Rutgers-Camden School of Law was an ombudsman in the Superior Court of Camden County. She also worked as a legislative aide to Trenton Mayor Douglas H. Palmer.

Marine Corps **Pvt. Daniel J. Lookner**, son of Patricia and Neal Lookner of Lawrenceville, and **Pvt. Justin M. Kitts**, son of Sherry Jurek of Lawrenceville and Michael Kitts of Palm Harbor, Fla., recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S. C. Pvts. Lookner and Kitts learned first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat, and assorted weapons training.

Both men are 2003 graduates of Lawrence High School.

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M. Nasim Ali of Princeton, executive vice president of marketing and sales at SBLI USA Mutual Life Insurance Company, Inc., has been appointed to the New Jersey Governor's Asian American Commission by Gov. James E. McGreevey. Mr. Ali will serve as vice chairman of the commission's community outreach committee.

The commission was formed in 2002 to recognize the continuing contributions of the Asian American community and to develop policies to improve the community's economic, health, educational and social needs. According to Gov. McGreevey, the Asian American population is one of the fastest-growing groups in New Jersey and the United States.

Born in Bangladesh and now an American citizen, Mr. Ali is a graduate of the London School of Economics and Political Science, and an actuary by profession.

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Theresa Feo of Princeton, an advertising design/fine arts student at Mercer County Community College, has been awarded a $500 scholarship for designing the winning entry in the Officer Down Inc. logo design contest. The logo will be used on the organization's website and printed materials. With local offices in Mercerville, Officer Down Inc. is a nonprofit organization providing monetary support for permanently disabled officers and the families of deceased officers. It is comprised of active, retired, and disabled law enforcement officers from Mercer County.

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Navy Cmdr. Todd W. Leavitt, son of Janice and William Leavitt of Princeton, has graduated from the Prospective Commanding Officer course at Surface Warfare Officer School in Newport, R.I. The course is designed to prepare eligible line officers to take commanding roles while in command of surface ships. The training addresses the professional aspects of taking ships to sea and executing battle functions as a unit in the tactical forces of the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Leavitt is a 1982 graduate of Highland Park High School and a 1986 graduate of Princeton University, with a B.A. degree. He joined the Navy in 1986.

WINNING EGG HUNTER: Paul Monaghan earned the "grandbunny" prize for scooping up the most Easter eggs, 53 in all, at the Princeton Knights of Columbus' egg hunt held on Saturday, a decidedly spring-like day with both rainy and sunny weather. (Photo by E.J. Greenblat)

TOP SHELF EASTER BASKETS: Siblings Georgia and Jay McLeary, age 4 and 3, respectively, display their designer Easter baskets at the Knights of Columbus' egg hunt held at Battlefield State Park on Saturday. (Photo by E.J. Greenblat)

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OBITUARIES

Irving Crespi

Irving Crespi, 77, of Princeton, died at home on Thursday, March 18.

He was a public opinion and market research consultant who worked for many years as an executive vice president with the Gallup Organization and as a senior fellow at Mathematica Policy Research before starting his own consulting firm in 1981. He was also the author of many articles and books.

His services were used by The New York Times and CBS Office of Social Research, as well as advertising agencies, public relations firms, law firms, trade associations, and survey research companies. He worked at one time with the polling unit of NBC News, and was a vice president with The Roper Organization in New York City.

Dr. Crespi's degrees in sociology included a bachelor's degree in 1945 from the College of the City of New York, a master's degree in 1946 from State University of Iowa, and a Ph.D. in 1955 from the New School for Social Research. He was an instructor of sociology at Triple Cities College in Endicott, N.Y., and an associate professor of sociology at Harper College of SUNY. He later went on to be a professor of marketing at Baruch College-CUNY.

He served as an officer in the United States Air Force.

He was the New Jersey author of the year in 1970 for his work, *Polls, Television and New Politics*, written with H. Mendelsohn. His many other books included *Pre-Election Polling: Sources of Accuracy and Error* and *The Public Opinion Process: How The People Speak*.

He was a former trustee of the Paul F. Lazarsfeld Fund; president of the World Association for Public Opinion Research, and the American Association for Public Opinion Research; chairman of the Social Indicators Conference of American Marketing; a member of the board of directors of the American Marketing Association; and a member of the editorial boards of the Journal of Marketing Research and Public Opinion Quarterly. He received the award for Exceptionally Distinguished Achievement from the American Association for Public Opinion Research in 1997.

He was listed in the Marquis Who's Who in America.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Joan; a son, Robert of New York City; a daughter, Judith Lofton of Skippack, Pa.; and three grandchildren.

A graveside service was held on March 21 at Princeton Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the direction of The Kimble Funeral Home.

John R. Burbidge Jr.

John R. Burbidge Jr., 66, of Lawrenceville, died March 22 at Pennsylvania Graduate Hospital in Philadelphia.

Born in Baltimore, Md., he lived in the Princeton area virtually all of his life.

He served in the U.S. Army Reserve.

He retired after 45 years as a salesman and leasing manager at Coleman Auto Group in Trenton.

A member of the Ewing Township American Legion Post No. 314, he was also an avid boating and sport fishing enthusiast.

The son of the late Thelma and Dr. John Burbidge Sr. of Princeton, he is survived by two sisters, Bettina Anne Hummerstone of Summit and Mary Jane Hayes of Princeton; and two special friends, Dennis and Dorothy Schnerr.

A graveside service was held on March 27 at Princeton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Arthur Rozas

Arthur (Arturo) Rozas, 73, of Coconut Creek, Fla., died suddenly on March 21. He was a Hun school faculty member from 1965 until his retirement in 1995.

He was the founder of Hun School's English as a Second Language program. He taught several languages, served as head of the Foreign Language Department, and was director of the International Program during his 30 years with the School.

He was remembered by faculty members as having had a positive effect on his students and on the institution. "We have been receiving e-mails all week about Mr. Rozas," said Janine Russo Vanisko '83. "Alumni are sharing memories of him and sending warm wishes to his wife. He was beloved."

He is survived by his wife, Luisa.

RELIGION

Black Seminarians To Present "Ain't I a Woman?"

The Association of Black Seminarians of Princeton Theological Seminary will present its second Women in Pastoral Ministry Conference — "Ain't I a Woman?" — on Friday, April 2, and Saturday, April 3.

The conference opens with a worship service at 6:30 p.m. in Miller Chapel that pays tribute to Sojourner Truth (1797-1883), a former slave whose memoirs were published in 1850. "Ain't I a Woman?" became associated with her after she used it in a speech at a women's convention in 1851.

Friday at 7 p.m., in the Gambrell Room of Scheide Hall, the Rev. Dr. Melinda Contreras-Byrd will lead a workshop entitled "Addressing the Psycho-Spiritual Needs of African American and Latina Women." A reception will follow the workshop at 8 p.m.

Saturday's schedule includes a lecture, a panel discussion, and a closing worship service. The 10:30 a.m. lecture, "Mounting the High Side of Misery," will be given by Emilie Townes, the Carolyn Williams Beaird Professor of Christian Ethics at Union Theological Seminary; the lecture will take place in the Gambrell Room of Scheide Hall, as will a 1:30 p.m. panel discussion led by Rev. Contreras-Byrd and Prof. Townes.

The conference will conclude at 3 p.m. in Miller Chapel with a worship service led by motivational speaker, the Rev. Kathleen Smallwood-Johnson. The conference is free of charge. For more information and to preregister, call Charlotte Mallory at (908) 904-9371.

Guest Preacher from Oxford At Chapel Palm Sunday

The Rev. Dr. Oliver O'Donovan of Oxford University will be the guest preacher at the Princeton University Chapel on Palm Sunday, April 4, at 11 a.m. Dr. O'Donovan is a leading European ethicist and an authority on the history of Christian social and political thought. The Chapel will also be celebrating Christian Renewal Sunday at the service, which will include an outdoor Procession of the Palms led by the Chapel Choir under the direction of Penna Rose, preceded by the Gospel account of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem read from the Chapel's outdoor pulpit.

Childcare is provided in Murray-Dodge Hall for children under 5 years of age.

Dr. O'Donovan will also be giving a public lecture entitled "International Judgment" on Thursday, April 1, at 4:30 p.m., in McCormick 101. He will address questions of empire and international relations in political theology and relate this history to debates about authority and political judgment in light of contemporary world events. The lecture is co-sponsored by the Princeton University Department of Religion, the Center

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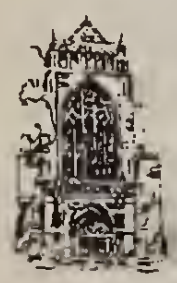

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Harlingen Reformed Church is planning to offer the Alpha course, starting Sunday, April 18.

The 10-week course, which is free and open to the public, covers the basics of Christian faith, including what Christians believe about Jesus Christ, the eternal dimension of human souls, and heaven.

The course was developed more than 20 years ago for people seeking to investigate whether God exists and the meaning of life.

Since then, more than 4 million people have completed the course, the church said. Participants come from many different backgrounds, holding different viewpoints, but all come with the same objective: to establish whether Jesus Christ has any real relevance for their lives.

The Harlingen class will start at 5 p.m. with dinner. A talk will be presented on a key aspect of Christian faith and then participants will discuss the subject presented. Each session will end at 7:30 p.m.

Harlingen Reformed is located at the corner of Dutchtown Road and Route 206.

For more information, or to make a reservation, call (908) 359-3556.

Bulletin Notes

Harlingen Reformed Church will hold a rummage sale starting on Friday, April 30, at 10 a.m. The sale will close at 8 p.m. Friday and resume Saturday, May 1, at 8 a.m. Two dollar bags begin at 2 p.m. Saturday. The sale closes 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

Donations will be accepted at the church on Sunday, April 24, from noon to 4 p.m. and Monday through Thursday, April 25-29, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations will also be accepted on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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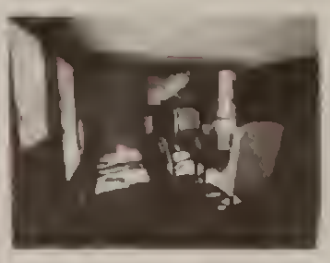

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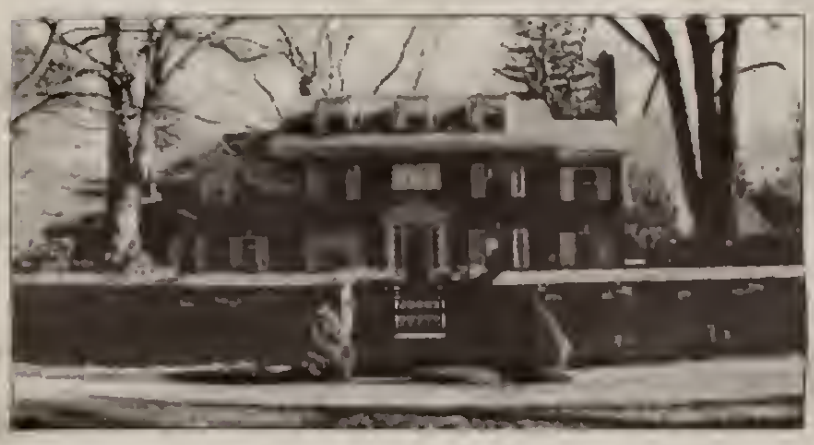

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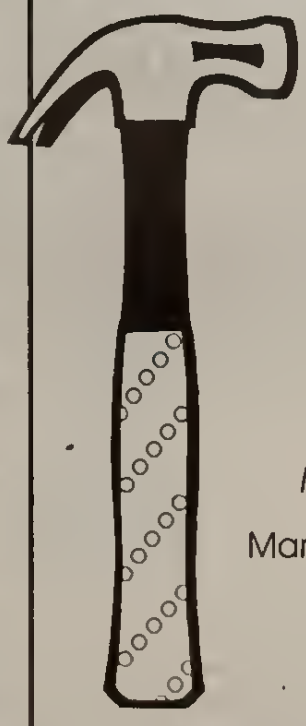

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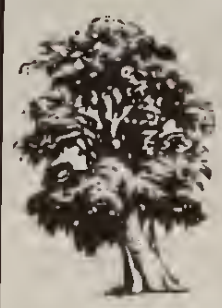

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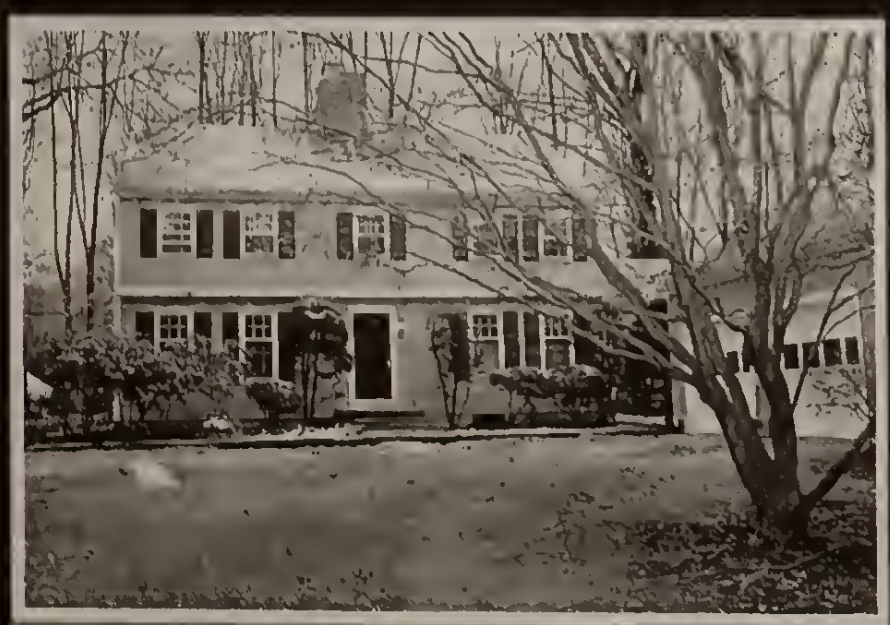

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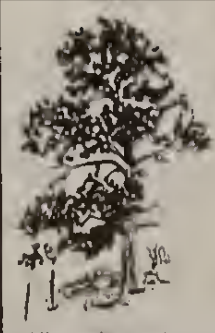

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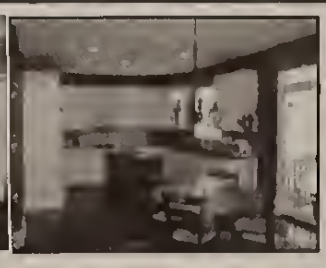

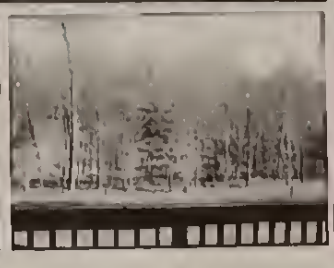

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